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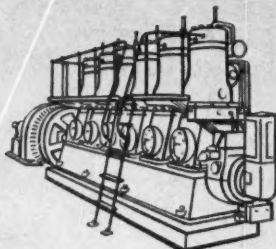
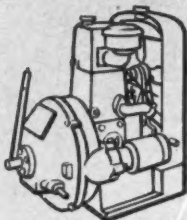
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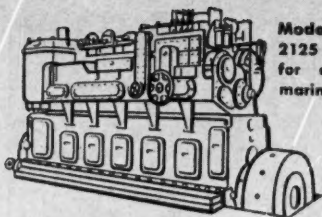
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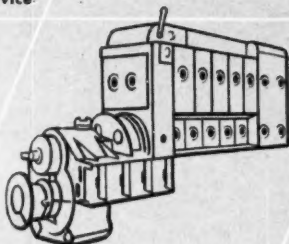
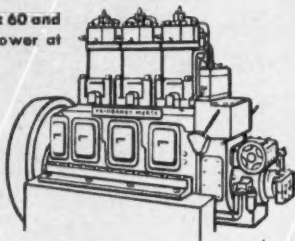


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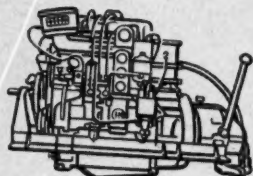


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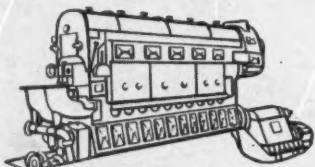
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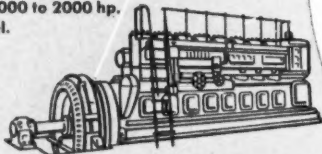


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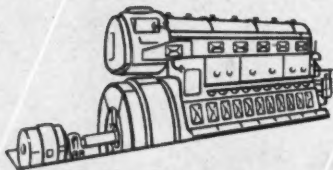
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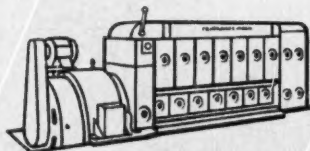
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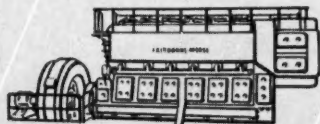
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The British Columbia operators are understood to have indicated that they expect to have only Sockeyes available for export from the 1950 pack, inasmuch as they anticipate only a short pack of Pinks, and a long one of Sockeyes.

It is considered obvious that, if the U. K. expects to purchase any Pinks in North America in 1950, it will have to get them from the United States.

Halibut Split-Season Plan Blocked by Doubt of Legality

Prospect of any action by the International Fisheries Commission to set-up a "split-season" under the present treaty dimmed in the last days of December with a report that legal opinion had held that the commission's authority to provide for a "split-season" was "subject to question."

Informed sources held that, if the commission actually has received such an opinion, there was little likelihood that it would undertake a program which might be challenged.

Indications point with virtual certainty to the delivery of such a legal opinion questioning the authority of the commission to establish a "split-season" under the Treaty of 1937.

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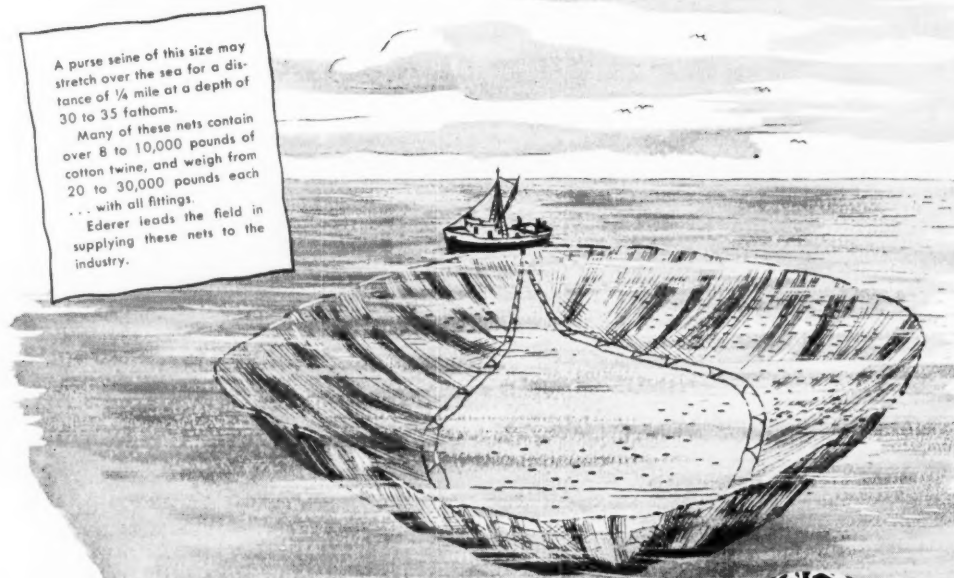
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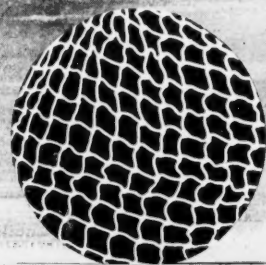
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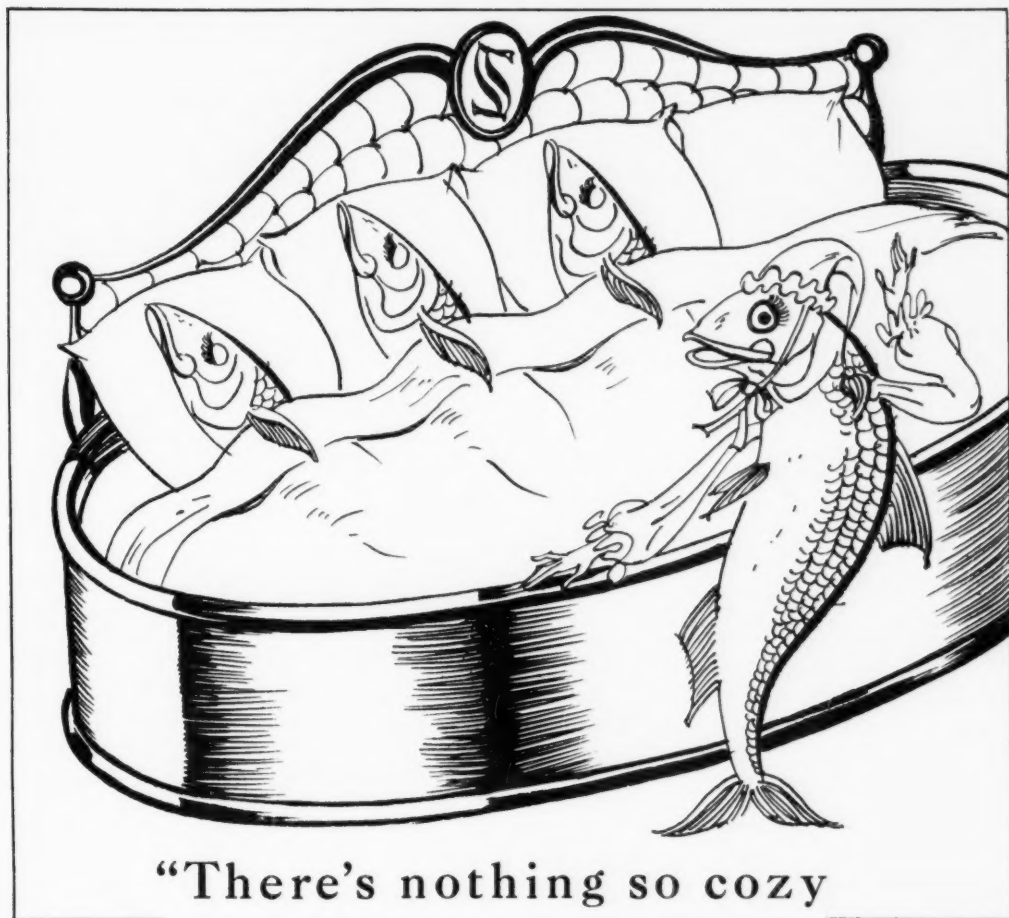
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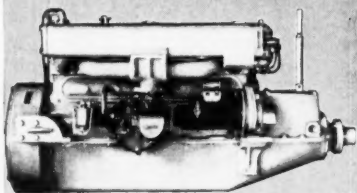
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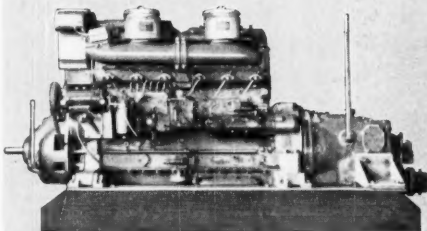
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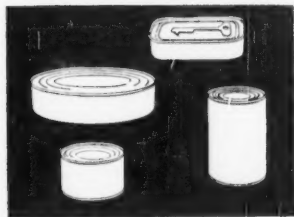
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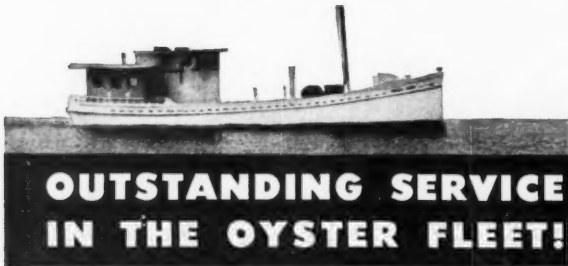
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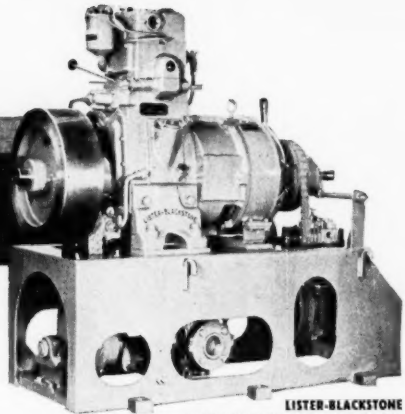


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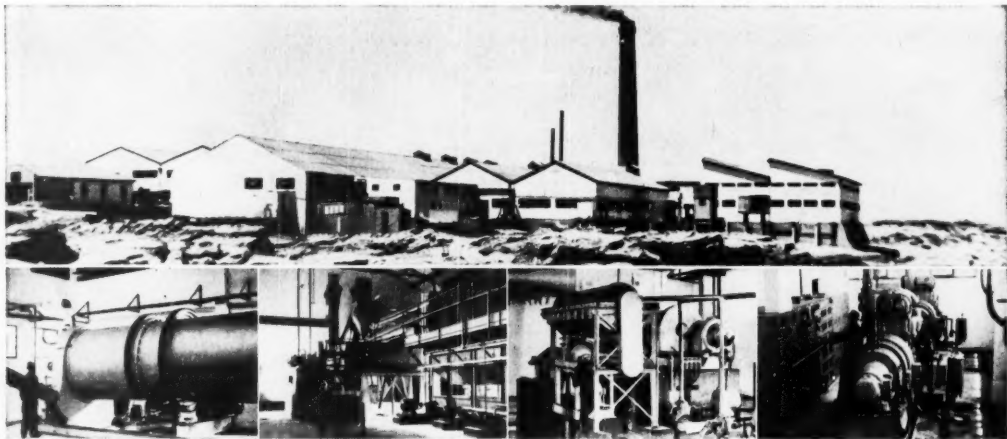
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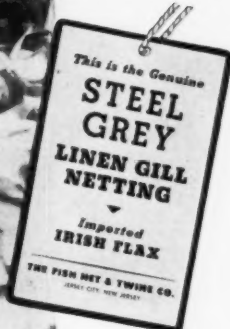
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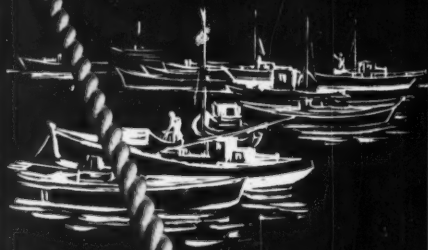
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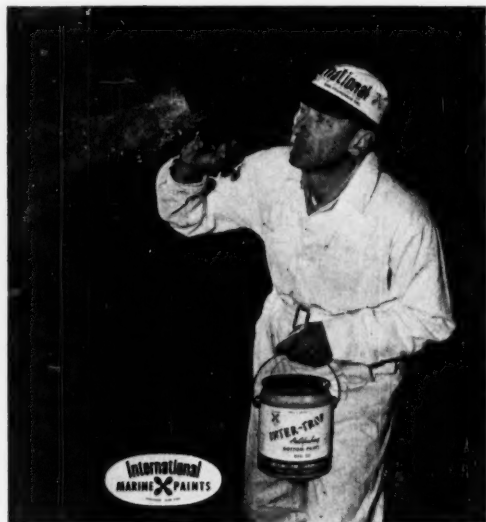
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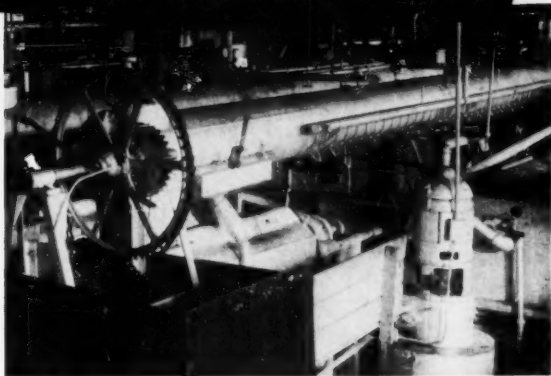
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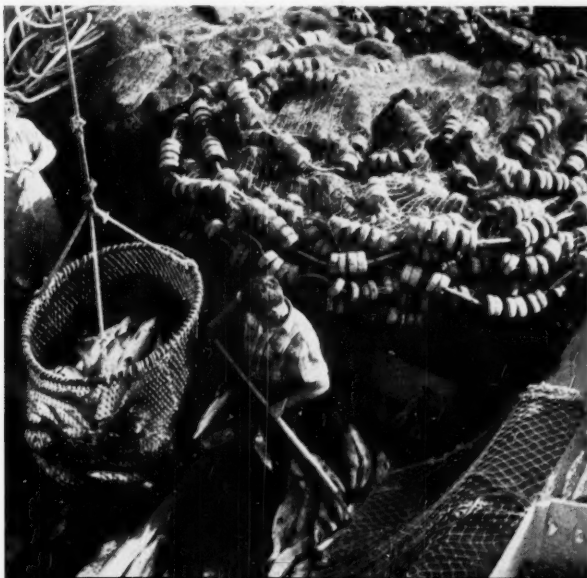


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TUNA PACK PEAKS IN '49 Despite Restraints, Output Nears Record

New record in California tuna production was forecast as possible by the industry's statisticians as this issue of *Pacific Fisherman* went to press.

As detailed below, they expected San Diego's tonnage to check-out just about the same as in 1949, while the Los Angeles area seemed sure to run ahead of the previous year by at least 4,000 tons.

Los Angeles Area Tuna Well Above 1948 Tonnage

Tuna canneries in the Los Angeles-Long Beach district had received to the end of November as much tonnage as in all of 1948.—54,000 tons. With contract clippers and seiners hurrying home for the holidays it was expected the district would flume probably another 4,000 tons.

November saw 3,425 tons delivered, the breakdown being: Yellowfin, 2,136 tons; Bluefin, 1; Skipjack,

1,132; Albacore, 57; bonito, 6 and yellowtail, 93 tons.

The addition of the November pack of 163,101 cases brought the year's total to 2,329,552 cases, which was practically the same as the gross production of all of 1948.

An all-time record for a tuna delivery at Los Angeles harbor was the estimated 550 tons unloaded by the *Scarlet Queen* at French Sardine Company. Another large fare was

flumed by the converted steel clipper, *Santa Helena*, 335 tons.

Return of late-year purse seiners, mostly from Central American waters, showed that 196 trips were made by seiners of the Fishermen's Cooperative association. Only two seiners sailed in December, the *Arlene S* on her fifth trip of the year, and the *Sun Beam*, completing a cruise which was interrupted by breakdown during the summer. During the year of 1948 seiners of the San Pedro Co-op paid the Mexican government \$379,875 for licenses. In 1949 the amount was less due to smaller number of sailings.

San Diego Tuna Volume Even-Up With 1948 Catch

By mid-December it was becoming apparent that San Diego's raw fish tonnages for 1948 and 1949 would be about a standoff, around 96,000 tons, all grades. By the end of November this year was running 8,000 tons ahead of the previous year to date, but it seemed to be sure the southern port could not receive more than 6,000 tons for December, whereas in December last year the six canneries flumed

14,560 tons. Thus the two years' tonnages are equalized.

During November around 70 clippers reported, to be immediately inactivated for periods from 60 to 90 days. The month's total of raw fish was 6,770 tons, the breakdown being: Yellowfin, 4,063 tons; Skipjack, 2,519; Albacore, 173; bonito, 5; yellowtail, 10.

Novembers' production at San Diego was 289,769 cases, and brought

the 11 months' total to 3,698,552 cases as against 3,420,040 cases for the same period in 1948. However, last year the port packed over 550,000 cases; this December could hardly be expected to top much over 250,000.

The pack breakdown at the southern port was: 1/4s-48, 26,044 cases; 1/2s-48, 246,859; 1s-48, 6,004; 4-lb.-12, 3,155; 1/2s K.O.-48, 7,707.

Late Yellowfin Run Is Heavy

The end of the year raw tonnage was greater than had been expected, due to a sudden heavy run of Yellowfin at the Galapagos Islands after

the late fall months had seen poor fishing there, and this mostly Skipjack. However, after a slow October, sales of canned tuna over the national market increased materially in November.

With brisk demand, Southern California packers began examining their potential stocks in the spring, particularly in view of intention to hold contract fleets in port until after the holidays; therefore little or no production could be expected in the first two months of 1950.

It was then decided by the major packers to begin releasing their clippers on a staggered schedule, based on varying periods in port, following the final trip of 1949. Van Camp Sea Food Company announced a 60-day idle period for all its 75 clippers, regardless of size. On November 22 the *Picaroto* was eligible to sail and did. Others became free to sail and by the holidays the company had a number of vessels at sea. Others in its fleet elected to stay in until after at least the Christmas holiday.

May Resume Price Discussions

Sun Harbor Packing Company announced schedules as follows: Vessels 50 to 100 tons, 60 days; 100 to 160 tons, 75 days; 160 tons, up, 90 days. Westgate would send its fleet south after 75 days in port; High Seas had 60 days in force; others were sending vessels to sea according to requirements.

The prevailing basic raw price of \$310 per ton, Yellowfin, continued in force, but it was understood that, with the agreement terminating December 31, individual price negotiations would probably be opened. All clippers at sea, however, would be protected, should there be a raw-price change. By December 15 there were at least 50 clippers at sea, but no more than a dozen were expected back before the end of the year.

The run at Galapagos started November 15 at Union Rock, south end of Isabella Island. (The great run of 1948 began earlier and located at Cape Berkeley of the same island, but 60 to 70 miles away.) No less than 40 clippers fished the run, as well as a number of purse seiners, although the latter got the fish in the less turbulent waters at Banks Bay.

Australia Shipping Tuna Canned and Frozen to U. S.

Samples of canned Australian tuna have been sent to the United States, and a commercial shipment of frozen tuna was sent to North America in the liner *Aorangi*, from Sydney.

This shipment—30 tons of round fish—was unloaded at Vancouver and transhipped to San Francisco, where it will be canned for domestic consumption.

Australian authorities are optimistic about the industry's possibilities because of the popularity in America of canned tuna.

Many American visitors claim Australian tuna, which usually weigh between 20 and 35 lbs., is comparable with the Pacific Coast Bluefin tuna.

The Pacific Ocean along the New South Wales coast south of Sydney has been reported swarming with tuna during the last two years. Fishermen, who need fish only up to four miles off shore for profitable catches, say that tuna schools often cover acres of water surface. They are most plentiful from early August until late November.

Tuna are fairly plentiful in Tasmanian waters from December to June, but are immature fish with jaws too weak to hold on trolling hooks.

Although New South Wales fishermen are seriously exploiting tuna

fishing for the first time this year, 30 boats are already at work. A four-months' season is planned. Next year they will fish for tuna for six months if the fish can be sold in the United States.

In recent weeks New South Wales fishermen caught more than 500 tons of Southern Bluefin tuna (*Thunnus maccoyii*), most of which went to Australian canneries at Narooma and Eden, 200 and 350 miles south of Sydney, controlled by Green's Products Ltd., Sydney food processing firm.

This firm has canneries, jetties, cold stores and other equipment worth about \$600,000 and is capable of handling big tuna catches.

Although Australians have not yet acquired a taste for canned tuna, 15% of the firm's output is being held back for the Australian market, in an attempt to create a demand.

The fish is not very suitable for the fresh market and very little finds its way into Australian shops, but many tons are bought each year by ship-provisioning firms at market prices ranging from 4c to 6c a pound.

Problems to overcome in setting up the Australian tuna industry include a shortage of suitable fishing vessels and an acute shortage of labor, according to advices direct from that continent.

'COPTER SPEEDS TUNA TRIP

His trip to the Galapagos Islands shortened by at least a month, Capt. Joe Machado returned the big steel clipper *Espirito Santo* to Van Camp Sea Food Company, San Diego, in mid-November with another near-capacity fare of Yellowfin and Skipjack.

According to the skipper, his 88-day round trip would have been greatly extended without the use of a helicopter for bait and fish scouting, first time this aid to tuna fishing had been employed. The clipper's crew was able to work four or five schools a day because of the helicopter's aid.

Furnished by United Helicopters, Palo Alto, and named for Van Camp's top tuna brand, "Chicken of the Sea," the machine was piloted by H. R. Watson, and had John Grove, the clipper's expert mast man, aboard on most of the scouting flights.

SARDINE STRIKE SETTLED

Southern California's sardine fleet resumed fishing again Dec. 16, ending a tie-up that had idled 150 seiners and some 1,900 fishermen since Nov. 8. Both CIO and AFL fishermen climbed aboard the seiners as a result of a settlement worked out following numerous meetings.

The tie-up came when the CIO's proposal to establish a central committee to exercise control over the fleet and establish limits on an equal basis for all, was rejected by both the owners as represented by associations, and the cannery.

Under the proposal the union would have set up a plan whereby the cannery would have had nothing to say as to the disposition of their own contract fleets, and would have had daily to order the tonnage they required from the union, which would then have allocated certain vessels to deliver. The packers were adamant in refusing to accept this, both on business and legal basis.

Settlement is 3-Ply Deal

Basis of the settlement, which came after it had been practically decided the season was over, was (1) redistribution of vessels, (2) agreement on tonnage limits, and (3) assurances against fluctuation of raw price, \$32.50 per ton.

In November 13 vessel owners brought suit against the union on basis of breach of contract, but no decision resulted.

One of the points of agreement had to do with mixed loads of sardines and mackerel. Catches of sardines containing 15% of mackerel were considered mixed fish. If mackerel catches contained more than 25% of sardines this was considered mixed fish. Sale price then was to be worked out between vessel owner and cannery.

Tonnage agreement was: Each cannery to start with a minimum limit of 50 tons for each vessel, and this could be raised on an equal basis to 65 tons. When all canneries raised to 65 tons—if demand for the raw fish made it necessary—then a packer could have a 20-ton optional spread upward. Should all canneries raise limits to 85 tons, then an individual could raise to any limit above that.

Vessel owners and union were given the right to observe operation of the tonnage system. Should any cannery quit taking fish, his vessels through voluntary cooperation were to be absorbed by other packers. The agreement was to remain in force until the end of the 1949-50 season, Feb. 1.

Fishing stopped when the season had produced 94,568 tons, and packers had produced 1,285,775 cases. Resumption of fishing brought to light a rather paradoxical situation. The total pack to the end of October for both Southern and Northern districts of California was 2,336,871 cases, nearly twice the total pack for 1948-49 season to that date.

With foreign markets so restricted—for example the best sardine market, the Philippines, on Nov. 30 ordered imports of canned fish for 1950 to be only 50% in dollar value of the 1948 imports—beginning Dec. 1, 1949—the industry generally considered it had enough canned sardines on hand to satisfy this and the domestic market. Yet, apparently most of the large packers were anxious to get their fleets started again.

One condition was evident: What canned sardines remained in packers' hands as of mid-December were very firmly held; prices were also firming. Quotations made to the trade before the season opened, Oct. 1, were: Tails, \$4.50; ovals, \$6.00. This dropped immediately after the season opened and important tonnage was brailed, to \$4 and \$6, with, of course some sales under this price. Most packers believed that quotations would increase with first of the new year business.

Monterey Sardiniers Hope For Renewed "Winter Run"

As the December light of the moon ended northern California sardine fishermen were hoping for a "winter run" of sardines which in normal times provide about 20 days of fishing in Monterey Bay, and north.

First nights of fishing in the December dark produced some excellent catches, particularly in the region "off the Cement Plant" to the north of Moss Landing.

November's total, 19,437 tons of sardines, was the lowest monthly catch at Monterey since August. During most of the month seiners made their sets off San Luis Obispo, and spent 10 to 12 hours on the trip from Monterey to the fishing grounds.

The season's total at Monterey had reached 117,704 tons, and at San Francisco was more than 14,000 tons. This is the largest catch since the

winter of 1945. Fishing will continue until Jan. 15 for the current season.

Fishing was unsatisfactory in Monterey Bay during the month because of a large number of anchovies mixed with the sardines. Best catch during the month of November by Monterey boats was on the 16th when 3,094 tons were netted.

Horace Mercurio, veteran purse seine skipper and manager of the Monterey Purse Seine Association, boat owners' group, feels that if the limits that have been imposed on the Monterey fleet had not been in force there would have been twice as many fish landed this season.

Mr. Mercurio points out that during the first three months of the season fishermen were giving away fish to other boats, to give them the limits.

"There was no waste of fish," said Mr. Mercurio. "The sardines are back. They are plentiful, and the feed is back. They are not two years old but range all the way from three to six years of age, being from 9 to 14" long. Also fishermen don't catch the same size fish all the time—some are fatter than others."

Officers of the Monterey Purse Seine Association are Frank G. Cardinale, president; Sal Colletto, vice-president; Horace Balbo, secretary; John G. Spadaro, treasurer; and Horace Mercurio, manager.

For the season to the end of November some 75,672 cases of sardines had been packed in San Francisco, as compared to 1,545 the season before; 1,465,428 cases in Monterey as compared to 516,458 the season previous; and 1,301,386 in San Pedro, as compared to 1,115,830 for the season before. The total pack for California was 2,842,486 cases as compared to 1,633,833 cases.

SALMON RESEARCH

The Parts Played by the Scientist, the Industry, the University, And Its Advisory Board

You are beginning to know me as a human being rather than as a scientist. That is, of course, a dangerous situation. It is not one that I willingly see come about, because it is my hope that you can keep clearly in mind the advantage of using scientists and scientific method, rather than personalities, in your business.

My own reactions, in defense of the independence and freedom of thought so vital to good research, are often instinctive and seem even to me at times as personal peculiarities and most non-cooperative ones. They present a problem to me which has led to some attempts to formulate the principles, or ethics, of good research; and their relationship to you as business men. They will be tried out on the Advisory Board, if they have the patience.

The weight of the relationship of the University, through the Fisheries Research Institute to you, has been placed with the Advisory Board. They have the burden, not only of interpreting the scientist and the University to you, but of correctly handling and applying the results; which may have to be handled with care. This is the first time that biological research has been directly supported by the industry, and the first time that a board has been given such a task. It is a task which seems to me of great importance, which should give you access to the scientific and technical knowledge you must have to present your case for proper regulation, as well as conduct of your business.

The burden of my talk today, therefore, is the Advisory Board, simply to emphasize its importance in our research projects. The time is already here in Bristol Bay and Southeastern when it must be called upon for help. It is, by choice of the University itself, an effective body, not a figurehead.

We might glance for a minute at the organization with which it must deal. The universities are old hands at research. They have found by long experience the solid foundation upon which research must be based to be effective and acceptable. Your Advisory Board has the somewhat

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An informal discussion by the Director of the Fisheries Research Institute, University of Washington, at the 10th annual meeting of the Alaska Salmon Industry, Inc., Seattle, Nov. 29, 1949.

difficult task of reconciling this foundation with your business needs.

The University stands for the pursuit of truth, of fact. In this technological age these facts have come to have tremendous weight, both in actual productive operations and in governmental control of them. The University can give you access to this technical world, and to technical experts; but it can only do so effectively if it preserves the integrity of the scientific method, its impartiality.

It must also concentrate its attention on fundamental problems. If we do not solve those you will be exactly where you were 50 years ago. During the past year stream surveys have been conducted in Southeastern Alaska. These were made on the assumption that there is a direct correlation between escapement and return two years later. But the fundamental problem is whether this correlation exists, not how perfectly you can collect figures on catch, escapement and return. It is fine to be efficient. That enables you to go farther and faster, perhaps in the wrong direction. The University wants to concentrate on the direction in which we are going, not on how fast we go.

The good scientist is conservative in letting go of his facts. He often has to be pried loose from them. But please sympathize with him. Proper research means following unknown paths with intelligence, and with constant recasting of direction, and return to the basis of departure. The scientist must be in a position to return to his first raw data, and revise its scope and bearing, so that it covers the case fairly; and it is a great day to him when he feels sure of

this. It should be of concern to you, because if results are to be effective, perhaps used against your present practices, you of all people should be sure that the basis of decision is complete and adequate. You will pay for errors. So the Advisory Board should have a special interest in helping the Fisheries Research Institute complete its basic data before it is issued.

The University has also certain standards to meet. In case great financial interests are at stake, as appears true in Bristol Bay for instance, the University must be sure that its action is correct. It will therefore, submit its findings to the interested parties, namely, the Advisory Board, for any criticism or suggestions. That does not mean weakness or timidity; it merely means fairness. It means that the whole significance of the raw data should be explored. To explore the significance, and the application, is a separate and distinct phase of any experiment.

The closer we get to the final formulation of significant results, the closer mouthed I must become. And the more significant they are, the more carefully they should be handled. That is as you should wish it. I hope I have the ability to keep my conclusions to myself, from you as well as from my own staff, until I know I am not talking nonsense. And even then they should meet the acid test of the opinions of fellow scientists, and particularly of your own Advisory Board.

The temptation is to get up here today and make some big statements. Knowing my own weaknesses, these occasions are sources of worry to me. I know that is not the way real accomplishments will come. They will come in their own way, tested and revised and proved. They will come only when many men have added their share, however sound our initial work may prove to be. Your Advisory Board must contribute its share to this. They will find that appreciation of the significance of facts; and working out methods of their presentation, acceptance and use, are as great tasks as are the efforts of the re-

search men themselves. In that sense your fate is in your own hands and in those of the Advisory Board.

We are going to discover that the Advisory Board and scientists are very human. Because of that, Dean Guthrie and I have spent some time considering these basic problems of standards of administration and use of research. In our scientific way we may lay what appears to be very heavy emphasis upon standards of thoroughness and impartiality, upon freedom of initiative and thought. We may be impatient of compromise and so-called cooperation when these weaken the basis for success. But after all, you ask solution for problems that have plagued you for 50 years, problems that have been attacked by good men who could not work under the standards we are insisting upon today. And if our method of approach has shown itself so capable of results elsewhere in our civilization, surely it is worthy of a fair trial here.

We hope you will hear any direct conclusions first through your Advisory Board. It is a very real one, as far as we are concerned, and we hope it will succeed in its task. The Board must, by its very nature, have much of the responsibility for the contacts of myself and staff with you.

Irrespective of the specific results of our research, which we feel proud of, your Advisory Board has a task worthwhile in itself, to devise balanced and effective means and methods of using science and scientific methods for the welfare of our industry and the public it serves.

NOTE—Members of the Fisheries Research Institute Advisory Board referred to by Dr. Thompson are:

Aubin Barthold, Alaska Packers Association, chairman; E. M. Brennan, P. E. Harris & Co., president of the Association of Pacific Fisheries; A. W. Brindle, Wards Cove Packing Co. and Red Salmon Co.; Lawrence Calvert, San Juan Fishing & Packing Co.; H. B. Friele, Nakat Packing Corp.; Guy V. Graham, Libby, McNeill & Libby; J. A. Green, Pacific American Fisheries, Inc.; W. C. Arnold, managing director Alaska Salmon Industry, Inc.; Dr. E. D. Clark, director Northwest Branch, National Cannery Association, and secretary Association of Pacific Fisheries.

MRS. AMELIA GUNDERSEN, Ketchikan, wife of the owner of the veteran herring seine boat *Pirate*, has announced her candidacy for re-election to the Alaska territorial house of representatives. She is a democrat.

Bidding on a Bargain

Uncle Sam's investment of \$3.75 million in the *Pacific Explorer* drew a high-bid of only \$120,000 when tenders for purchase of the vessel were opened in Astoria in December.

One bidder thought a price of \$1,150 for the vessel would be about right. He was a gentleman named German Fernandez Concha, and he hails from Peru.

Top offer came from Tangiers, Morocco, with S. A. Zaban offering \$120,000.

Moore Drydock Co., Oakland, was willing to pay \$1,800 on a deal which would permit the vessel to be resold to alien interests.

The U. S. Maritime Commission was not expected to decide what to do about the matter until after the first of the year.

Some federal officials are known to be opposing sale of the vessel on any of the bids received. One has stated that there are more than \$120,000 of salable stores in her lockers.

When bids were first called some weeks ago no offers whatever were received.

Here's the Bad News On Philippine Fish Trade

Gloomy prospect of a 200,000-case annual export business with the Philippines—instead of the 945,000-case trade of the first 10 months of 1949—faces the American sardine operators as result of the Philippine import quota which went into effect Dec. 1, 1949.

Under the new quota, imports for the 12 months beginning Dec. 1, 1949, will be limited to 50% by value for sardines and 20% by value for all other edible fishery products imported during 1948.

On the basis of a 1948 import trade from all sources in the amount of \$14,155,000, the Department of Commerce figures the Philippine imports for the twelve months beginning with December will be limited to \$3,789,500.

Under this quota, imports of sardines, from all sources, will be limited to \$1,597,500. They were valued at \$3,195,000 in 1948.

The Philippines in 1948 imported \$1,219,500 in canned salmon. This business is being cut down to \$243,900.

Canned mackerel imports for 1948 were \$6,510,500. In the current twelvemonth they will be limited to \$1,302,100.

American sardine packers' share of the \$3,195,000 sardine imports into the Philippines in 1948 was \$2,275,000. Other principal suppliers

in 1948 included: Canada, \$561,500; Mexico, \$320,500; Portugal, \$38,000.

Bureau of the Census figures show that during the first 10 months of 1949 the Philippines took 56% of all American exports of sardines, 46% of the exports of canned mackerel, 6% of the exports of canned salmon, and a like percentage of the foreign business in canned tuna.

Canadian Import Trade Still Strong at Seattle

Imports from Canada continued to run high in the fish trade at Seattle going into December. For the first week in that month the import business accounted for one-third of all the fish received at Seattle from any source.

Moreover, the Canadian imports were more than six times as great as those for the corresponding week of 1948. They accounted for 373,000 lbs., of which Chum salmon alone, both fresh and frozen, totaled 294,000 lbs. In addition, imports included 60,000 lbs. of frozen halibut.

HARALD SYNNESTVEDT, president of the New England Fish Co., and also of the National Fisheries Institute, returned to his Seattle headquarters Dec. 8 after several weeks in the Pacific Southwest. He remained in Southern California and Arizona after attending the convention of the Association of Pacific Fisheries at Coronado and the meeting of the Pacific Fisheries Conference at Los Angeles in November.



The Alaska Territorial Fisheries Board at its semi-annual session in Juneau late in November; left to right—Clarence L. Anderson, director; J. Howard Wakefield, Port Wakefield, Alaska; Chairman Ira Rothwell, Cordova; J. Valentine, Ketchikan; William R. Walton, Sitka; Karl Brunstad, Kodiak.

“Madhouse of 1949” Leads Alaska Fishery Board to Demand Longer Salmon Seasons

Bluntly characterizing the past season's experience in Southeast Alaska's salmon fishery as “the madhouse of 1949,” the Alaska Fishery Board in a formal brief filed with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Nov. 25 called for a gradual return to longer fishing seasons in that area.

The Board minced no words when it offered its program in these words:

“From the biological or fishery management viewpoint every effort must be taken to avoid the mistake of 1949. Without a doubt, many streams in Southeastern Alaska were overpopulated with Pink salmon this past season. Considerable numbers of these fish could just as well have been utilized by the canneries, perhaps with betterment of the prospects for 1951. The lateness of the opening in some districts resulted in a decidedly inferior canned product. In fact, in some instances operators refused to accept legally caught fish because they were so far advanced toward the spawning stage as to be unfit for canning. If predictions of a run in 1950 nearly equal to that of 1949 transpire, similar conditions will be repeated. Biologically speaking, it would seem much more advantageous to have a fairly steady seeding throughout a long season than an oversupply before or after a short season.

“The answer to these problems would seem to be a return to the longer seasons that were formerly in effect. It is realized that an im-

mediate return under the old regulations might be disastrous, but by a gradual process and by proper changes in the regulations a long season should again be possible.”

The board's proposal for the Southeast Alaska season of 1950 would be as follows, with fishing starting at 6 a.m. on each of the dates named and closing at 6 p.m. on the subsequent days of each period:

July 31 to Aug. 2, 3 days;
Aug. 7 to Aug. 9, 3 days;
Aug. 14 to Aug. 18, 5 days;
Aug. 21 to Aug. 25, 5 days;

This would be followed by a fall season:

Aug. 28 to Sept. 1, 5 days.
Sept. 25 to Sept. 27, 3 days;
Oct. 2 to Oct. 4, 3 days;
Oct. 9 to Oct. 11, 3 days.

Discussing its proposals, the Alaska board says further:

“It is believed that by opening on July 31 ample protection will be given the many local runs of Red salmon in this area. Many of these are already showing signs of recovery so perhaps it will not be too long before some of these could be tapped for some limited fishing during June and July. The number of days per week for fishing should be flexible and subject to decrease or increase as conditions may warrant.

“In order to make this plan successful some further restrictions must be made on trap fishing, especially the manner of closing traps during periods closed to fishing. The present regulations call for the removal from the water of all other

types of fixed gear. This it is recognized would not be practical for traps but the present method of lowering 25' of the heart walls on each side of the pot is not satisfactory from either the escapement or enforcement angle. It is a well known fact that under present methods of closure there is a definite holdup of the salmon at each and every trap, which may vary from a few minutes to several hours depending on tidal conditions. Where there are a number of traps in the migratory path of the salmon this cumulative holdup may be enough to destroy the entire value of the week end closure. It is therefore suggested that in addition to the openings in the heart walls now required by law, it should be mandatory to lift the outside wall of the pot and at least 50' of the lead adjacent to the heart. Only by this or some other equivalent method can the salmon be assured of free passage through the maze of traps during the closed periods.

“The fall season should be open to drift gill net fishing as well as to purse seining. In addition to the bays that were open in 1949 there should be added Lynn Canal and any other bays that the Service feels could stand some limited fishing.”

JOHN T. TENNESON, president of the Pyramid Fisheries Co., Superior Packing Co. and Columbia River Salmon Co., in December was elected to the board of directors of the Marine Bancorporation, Seattle. He was already a member of the board of the National Bank of Commerce, controlled by the Bancorporation.

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Power to Take the Tuna

Mike Elich, San Pedro, son of veteran fisherman Vincent Elich, has put a new power plant in his *Sun Beam*, all-brine tuna purse seiner. The installation is particularly noteworthy because it is the first Nordberg diesel engine to go into a fishing boat on the Pacific Coast. The 600-hp. diesel is super-charged, yielding extra power for the weight and space requirement. The engine is equipped with a 2½ to 1 Capitol reduction gear, delivering 600 hp. at 680 rpm., which is cut to 270 rpm. at the wheel, an 82 x 66" Doran. At this speed the vessel delivered 10.5 knots on trials.

Captain Elich owns the vessel in partnership with Dominic Roki of San Pedro and the Sun Harbor Packing Co., for whom the vessel fishes. She was built in Oakland and was first named *J. A. Martinovich*. Elich has commanded her for a year and fishes the vessel exclusively for tuna. Before taking over *Sun Beam*, he shared ownership in San Francisco and has fished on the old *Pacific*.

Sun Beam has three GM 60-kw. auxiliaries and is equipped with a 250-watt Pacific Electronics radio-telephone, a Fisher direction finder, and a Sperry Mark 14 gyro-compass

pilot. Her all-brine refrigeration system will stow 150 tons of tuna, using two 6x6 Kohlenberger compressors. Ed Eckerly of San Pedro is engineer aboard the *Sun Beam* and with Charles Cox of the Nordberg Engine Co., supervised the vessel's trial run recently from the Todd Shipyards, San Pedro, where the engine installation was made and where the vessel was given an International paint topside job, with

Triple C for bottom protection.

Using her brine tanks for fuel storage, *Sun Beam* has 32,000 gallon fuel capacity, with 4,000 gals. water, and 1,000 gals. lube oil. For operation of her tuna purse seine net she has a Northern 250-S winch.

Sun Beam is 101' overall in length, with a beam of 26½', and 195 gross tons. The vessel has eight cargo tanks. She can remain away from port with provisions for a crew of

Dominic Roki, left, and Captain Mike Elich, both of San Pedro, co-owners of *Sun Beam*, of which Sun Harbor Packing Co. is managing owner. *Sun Beam* was formerly *J. A. Martinovich* and has just been re-powered with a super-charged Nordberg diesel engine, rated 600-hp. at 680 rpm. Many oldtime fishermen will recall Mike's father, Vincent, who was one of the pioneer fishermen of San Pedro.



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12 persons and full fuel capacity with normal consumption for 40 days continuous running or 90 days intermittent running. Farthest she has traveled from her home port of San Diego is to the Galapagos Islands.

The new Nordberg is a four-cycle, eight cylinder, 9½" x 11" diesel. It is a fully enclosed heavy duty engine designed for operation at medium speeds. It employs the Elliott Buchi system of turbo-charging and uses Capitol reduction gear of in-line planetary type which permits a lower installation of the engine.

The engine is started by compressed air and lube oil is supplied to the lubricating system by two oil pumps of the internal gear type driven from the crankshaft.

In order to effect the engine installation, the complete house top, crew's berths, furniture, piping, electric wiring and a portion of the main deck planking were removed ashore, prior to lifting out the old engine.

After removal of the old engine, the existing engine foundation was modified with a full length steel base with fitted chocks and new fuel, fresh water and cooling pipe lines were installed to conform with the new engine requirements.

After the new engine was set and aligned, all removals were replaced and painted as original.

New operation controls were installed with manual stations located inside and outside the pilot house. The electrical alarm system which notifies the ship's personnel of low lube oil pressure on the main engine was modified and tested for the new operating conditions.

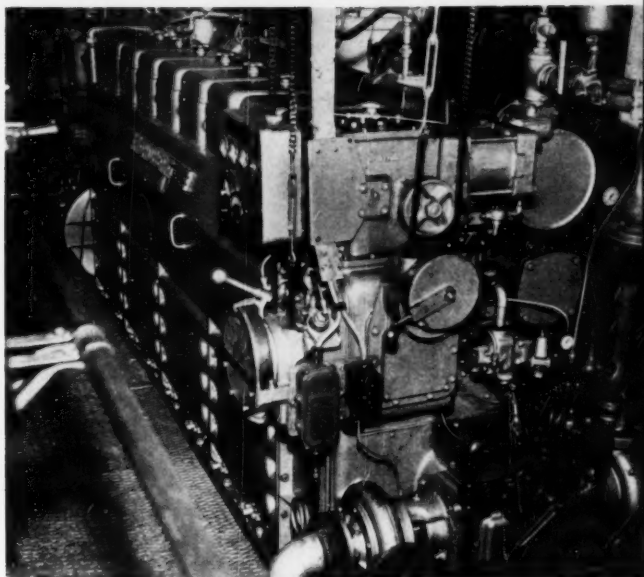
A new trolley track, 20' in length, was fitted over the main engine for lifting and stowing of parts during repair operations.

The *Sun Beam* was drydocked for underwater cleaning and painting, examination of the tailshaft and installation of a new propeller.

Aircraft Aid Clippers

Use of airplanes to make quick emergency repairs from San Diego to locations on the west side of Lower California is increasing. Two San Diego firms have planes in service. One of them Crofton Diesel Engine Company, Southern California distributors for General Motors 671 marine diesels, answered a radio call from the clipper *St. George* from Turtle Bay in early December. Within 24 hours the parts needed were delivered and installed, and vessel was putting to sea again.

Sun Beam's new Nordberg super-charged diesel, viewed from the control station at the forward end. In-line planetary reduction helps to keep the diesel low for engine room convenience and vessel stability. The Nordberg delivers 600 hp. at 680 rpm., cut to 270 rpm. at the wheel.



SIX EUREKA TRAWLERS ENTER PROCESSING AND MARKETING

Owners of six of the largest drag-boats working out of Humboldt Bay embarked upon a new venture recently when they organized the Humboldt Trawlers Association, using the facilities of the Tom Lazio Fish Company at Eureka as a base for both fishing and processing operations.

Members of the new concern are as follows: Oliver Stiles, owner of the *Sitka*; Fred Brown, owner of the *Bluefin*; Clarence Hubbard, the *Rogue*; Virgil Strong of the *Aloma*; Noel Franklin, owner of the *Andrew Jackson* and Gilbert "Gib" Hunter, owner of the *Dennis Gayle*.

The association will hire its own employees and manage its own affairs, with Tom Lazio acting as exclusive agent for the group. Floyd Bridges, formerly of the Theo Weissich Fish Company, has been named as general manager.

The six boats involved are among the heaviest producers in the bottom fish business on the Pacific coast, and the group includes some of the craft that have been dragging at extreme depths off northern California.

The operators hope to virtually double the present bottom fish capacity of the Lazio plant which they will use as their base. Among other operations, the association will pack and market the one-pound package of filleted fish under the "Shelter

Cove" brand. Improvements at the plant include an additional fillet line in a closed room, an automatic package wrapper and a new operations office on the outer floor.

The Lazio firm proper plans to drop out of the bottom fish market but will continue to handle troller catches, longline boats, canning and kippering.

Nisei Form Company To Export Jap Fish

Authority has been granted for the formation and operation of a \$1,000,000 corporation financed primarily by Japanese residents in the United States and Hawaii for the purpose of producing fish and other food in Japan for export frozen to the United States.

Out of the company's capital, \$393,000 has been allocated for fishing equipment and \$261,000 for fishery operating funds.

Beside fish production and export, the company's principal activity will be in raising and freezing poultry for shipment to the United States, according to the official announcement through U. S. consular channels.

H. V. McGEE, superintendent of the Ketchikan Packing Co., returned to the company's Seattle headquarters Nov. 10 after a long season in Alaska, having gone north early in April. He expects to remain until spring.

Mr. Krug's Last Act

On his last day as Secretary of the Interior, Julius A. Krug did some things he had repeatedly declared he would not do—among them being the signing of an order creating a 100,000-acre reservation for the Alaska Indians of Hydaburg.

Other reservations were also created in the interior of Alaska, locking-up mineral areas in contravention of Mr. Krug's oft-repeated pledge that he would not order such reservations.

According to Charles R. Carry, director of the Fishery Products Division of the National Cannery Association, writing from Washington, people there are asking:

"Did Secretary Krug actually know what he was signing?"

This question is prompted by the fact that the order says, in part: "And provided, further, that if the Supreme Court of the United States shall decide the pending case of Frank Hynes vs. Grimes Packing Co., et al., . . ."

The Supreme Court handed down its decision in the case cited in the order on May 31, 1949, six months to a day before Secretary Krug signed the order.

Creation of the Hydaburg reservation was announced twice before by the Department of the Interior, the first time on Oct. 16, 1947, but the announcements later were withdrawn when Mr. Krug said he would not sign the order.

Finally, as he bowed out, he *did* sign it.

Natives Buy Kake Cannery; Deal On for Klawock

Purchase of the Kake cannery, owned since 1940 by P. R. Harris & Co., by the native Indian community of Kake, Alaska, was announced Dec. 15 by Don G. Foster, area director of the Alaska Indian Service, and Frank Johnson of the village council.

At the same time it was announced that an option on the Klawock cannery of the Demmert Packing Co., held for the past year by the Indian Service for the natives of Klawock, on the central west coast of Prince of Wales Island, would probably be taken up on or soon after Jan. 1.

The deals are handled with federal funds loaned under the Indian Reorganization Act, which the natives undertake to pay off in ten years. The Kake purchase includes, in addition to the cannery, nine nearby salmon traps in the Frederick Sound section. The Kake natives number about 400, among whom are owners of some 20 fishing boats.

The Kake cannery, though not operated for the last three seasons, is a large, well-equipped modern plant, located near the northwest point of Kupreanof Island, 56 miles west of Petersburg. For some years prior to 1940 it was owned by the Alaska Pacific Salmon Co., and before that by the Sanborn-Cutting Co. of Astoria.

The Klawock plant has been operated in recent years under lease by Libby, McNeill & Libby, whose lease continues through the 1950 season.

New Cold Storage Ups Vancouver Capacity

Opening of the big new plant of B.C. Ice & Cold Storage Ltd., on the Vancouver waterfront this fall gave the British Columbia city greatly increased facilities for handling frozen fish.

President of the company is Senator S. S. McKeen, and general manager is R. J. Gosse, whose family has for many years been identified with the fishing business. Among the directors is L. B. Bing, manager and director of J. H. Todd & Son, Ltd., Victoria.

The quick freezers at the new plant can handle 350,000 lbs. of fish every 24 hours. There is storage capacity for 24 million lbs. of food, 23 tons of ice can be manufactured daily and ice storage is for 1300 tons.

Canada's Industrial Development Bank assisted in the financing of the project.

FROZEN FISH FREIGHT RATES CUT

Good news on freight rates—the first news of that kind on that subject in a long while—was received recently by E. A. Ruthford, chairman of the Northwest Fish Traffic Committee, as well as of the National Fisheries Institute's traffic committee.

The Freight Traffic Managers Committee of the transcontinental railroads have approved the request of the Northwest Fish Traffic Committee for a reduction in rates on frozen fish from the Pacific Coast to destinations as follows:

New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, from \$3.38 to \$2.70;

Pittsburgh, Cleveland, Columbus, Buffalo, from \$3.11 to \$2.43;

Detroit, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Nashville, from \$2.81 to \$2.30;

Wisconsin, Illinois and Northern Michigan including St. Louis, Chicago, Milwaukee, Des Moines, from \$2.67 to \$1.75;

New Orleans, Memphis, Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas, from \$2.65 to \$1.75;

Minneapolis, Duluth and Wichita, from \$2.21 to \$1.75;

Denver, Pueblo and Colorado Springs, from \$1.80 to \$1.75.

Under the proposed changes the minimum carload is being increased to 36,000 lbs. on ordinary refrigerator cars; and to 46,000 lbs. on those exceeding 2,200 cu. ft. capacity.

Calif. Salmon Pack

Ocean Picnic Sportsmen's Cannery, Eureka, of which Paul Thurmond is the owner, packed some 50 cases of salmon last year, and about 250 cases of Albacore.

Eurekans Buy Fish Reduction Floater

The sardine reduction barge *San Pablo*, operated off Parr-Richmond Terminals, Pt. San Pablo for many years by the late E. M. Darrimon, has been sold by the trustees of his estate to Maritime Industries, Eureka, Gilbert Hunter, and Hermann Foland, partners.

The *San Pablo* will continue to reduce sardines until the end of the season, when she may be towed to Eureka to be used to reduce whale and fish offal.

Re-Stocking Barren Waters

Although not entirely completed, the Quesnel field station of the International Pacific Fisheries Commission in the Cariboo district of British Columbia, was placed in operation last fall, representing one of the year's important developments in the long-term program for restoring the Fraser River's Sockeye.

The unfinished units of the hatchery, such as the 15 rearing ponds and cold storage facilities, will be available as needed.

The Commission considered that the operation should be initiated this year, since the 1949 Sockeye cycle has a wide range of races, each in sufficient numbers to permit small egg transfer, which is not possible on the other three cycles.

The first experiment consisted of artificially propagating 302,000 native Horsefly River Sockeyes, which will be hatched, reared, marked by fin clipping and released back into the Horsefly River. The purpose of this experiment is to determine if the fish will return to their native spawning area. The study is designed to serve as a control experiment over transplantations from one stream to another.

Expect Horsefly Run Recovery

No direct attempt will be made to build up the present Horsefly run on this cycle by artificial propagation, since it is expected to rehabilitate itself quite rapidly by natural methods. The spawning escapement this year was over 12,000 fish from a spawning in 1945 of 3000 fish.

The second experiment was designed to start the rehabilitation of Sockeyes in the Upper Adams River, Shuswap district, which at one time had a large early run. No vestige of these fish remains as the result of the Hell's Gate slide in 1913 combined with the Old Adams River splash dam, which completed extermination by preventing the few fish that did pass Hell's Gate from reaching their spawning grounds.

Seymour Seed Sent to Adams

As a start towards this, 158,000 eggs were taken from the Seymour River, a stream flowing into the Upper Shuswap Lake. The run to the Seymour River was not entirely

destroyed by the Hell's Gate slide and is now increasing substantially. Over 6,000 fish spawned in this waterway during the 1949 season, and from these fish came the eggs for transplantation to the Upper Adams.

Two requirements not seriously considered in the previous transplantation of Sockeyes in the Fraser River system are now believed essential to success in establishing self-maintaining runs. They are:

Two Transplanting Essentials

1. Water temperature at spawning time should be the same in both the parent and adopted stream.

2. Distance of migration from salt water to the spawning ground must be at least approximately the same.

Sockeyes do not feed after leaving salt water and rely on their stored energies to reach their spawning grounds. If the distance is greater than that which they are inherently capable of traversing, they may survive yet not reach their spawning grounds to fulfill the required purpose.

If the water temperatures in the adopted stream are not similar to those of the parent stream, the productivity can be so lowered that even though the transplantation is successful, self-maintenance by natural propagation will be impossible. These two factors, among others, are being carefully considered in the Commission's operations.

Thorough Test of Transplanting

Where a race has been exterminated in a once-productive area, rehabilitation cannot be accomplished by regulation. A new race must be artificially established if that area is again to become productive. To meet this latter need for rehabilitation, the experimental field station was established on the Quesnel watershed to determine feasible methods for transferring races of Sockeyes to barren or potential areas. It is not a substitute for artificial propagation.

The runs, if successfully transferred, are expected to be maintained and increased by natural

Fraser River Sockeye Spawning Populations For 1949 and Cycle Years

Runs	1941	1945	1949
Early Stuart	6,300	28,200	581,000
Late Stuart	5,500	23,600	131,000
Early Fraser-Francois	500	1,300	26,600
Late Fraser-Francois	5,200	20,800	104,800
Bowron River	1,200	4,100	22,300
Chilko River	280,000	193,000	59,000
Quesnel River	1,200	3,000	12,200
Early Thompson River	300	3,500	13,300
Late Thompson River	*50	67,500	†15,000
TOTAL	300,250	345,000	965,200
Lower Fraser			
Birkenhead River	46,500	80,600	†74,000
Cultus Lake	18,200	9,200	†10,000
Pitt River	**	**	9,500
Weaver Creek	9,200	13,000	12,500
Silver Creek	2,000	2,000	2,100
Other streams not listed	68,650	22,500	
TOTAL FOR ALL STREAMS	444,800	472,300	1,074,100

*Run blocked at Hell's Gate. Mostly Jacks on this cycle.

**Pitt River fish are predominantly five years old. No previous spawning records on the 1949 cycle.

†Preliminary figures.



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Mayor Charles E. Thompson of Vancouver, B. C., samples some British Columbia canned salmon during the official opening of Canned Salmon Week in Canada, while executives of the industry look on. Left to right—J. Macdonald, secretary, Salmon Cannery Operating Committee; Richie Nelson, president, Nelson Brothers Fisheries, Ltd.; J. S. Eckman, president, The Canadian Fishing Co.; John M. Buchanan, president, B. C. Packers, Ltd.; Richard Bell-Irving, president, Anglo-B. C. Packing Co.; S. M. Rosenberg, general manager, The Canadian Fishing Co., and chairman, Salmon Cannery Operating Committee.



propagation and not by artificial aids. The commission does not guarantee success in this operation, but believes it is mandatory that attempt be made by the most careful scientific procedures to re-establish runs in most once-great producing areas where no vestige of a run now remains.

New Runs Must Be Economic

A further obstacle in the path of success is that, even though a nucleus of a run is started in the adopted area, it must be of a character sufficiently suited to its fresh water environment to allow for an increasing population in spite of a commercial fishery. A race transferred but not capable of a competitive rate of reproduction would be of little value to the economy of the Fraser River fishery.

It is only by extreme care in following every scientific precaution in introducing the stock to the adopted area that any hope of success can prevail, according to the Commission's biologists. Failure by the use of any one method will not discourage the Commission from continuing its work in this connection.

The capacity of the Quesnel station on the Horsefly is 2,000,000 eggs and 1,500,000 fingerlings.

A good many people in the marine industries of the Pacific Coast will find real interest in news of the appointment of C. A. RAABE as chairman of the National Yacht Club Heart Campaign, on behalf of the American Heart Association's drive for funds for its research program. Mr. Raabe is president of the C. A. Woolsey Paint & Color Co., whose marine bottom paints have been used extensively on Pacific fishing vessels for many years.

1949 Sockeye Regulations To Be Set January 28

Decision on the Fraser River Sockeye fishing regulations for 1949 is expected to be made at a meeting of the International Pacific Salmon Fisheries Commission to be held in Vancouver January 28, 1950.

This was decided at the December meeting, held in Bellingham, at which the commission conferred at length with its conference board, and heard reports of its biologists and administrators.

The commission elected Senator Tom Reid of British Columbia chairman, with Alvin Anderson, Washington director of fisheries, as secretary.

"Silverteak's" Fish Meal Cargo Report Erroneous

It was erroneously reported on Page 59, November, 1949, issue of PACIFIC FISHERMAN that the ship *Silverteak* had discharged 15,000 tons of fish meal at San Francisco.

The amount actually brought in by *Silverteak* in that shipment was 400 tons. This meal was shipped at a time when no other supplies were available, and according to fish meal market observers could not possibly have had any demoralizing effect on the fish meal market, as was reported in PACIFIC FISHERMAN.

Hydraulic-Driven Winch

The 57' combination salmon seiner and halibut boat *Lorraine*, owned by Larry Broad of Wrangell, Alaska, was recently equipped with a Hydra-Hoist anchor winch purchased from the Jules Engine & Equipment Co., Seattle.

"Divided" Halibut Season Better Than "Split" One

Indications that Canadian opinion is swinging toward the desirability of a "divided" halibut season in Area 2 rather than a "split" season were reported by R. M. Winslow and Neville Gerard of the British Columbia Packers, Ltd., who visited Seattle early in December to discuss matters with the trade and the International Fisheries Commission.

Mr. Winslow said that there was a good deal of opinion solidifying in Canada behind a proposal to supplement an Area 2 quota and season similar to that of 1949 with a later one-trip season perhaps in September. This late season would be designed to permit utilization of stocks not worked at the present time, and to such extent as the commission might feel was justified by condition of the late stocks.

During the hearings held last fall the commission indicated that it felt a substantially larger catch could safely be taken from Area 2, providing the period of active fishing was extended over a greater portion of the year.

SCAP'S Fisheries Chief Addressed Seattle I. P. R.

W. C. Herrington, fisheries of SCAP'S Natural Resources Sections, was in Seattle for a few days in December en route back to Tokyo.

His only public utterance was at a luncheon meeting of the Institute of Pacific Relations at the Rainier Club Dec. 12, with Edward W. Allen presiding.



An example of how scores of tuna clippers crowd into San Diego yards for the winter overhaul and replacement period, is shown here in a photo taken in December from a tuna clipper on Martinolich Shipbuilding ways, and looking east. Vessels shown here are in the yards of National Steel & Shipbuilding Corporation and Lynch Yard, the latter now operated by NS&S. Had the camera been turned the other way, equally crowded docks and ways would have shown San Diego Marine Construction Company and Campbell Machine Co. Another busy yard was the Harbor Boat & Yacht Company, located near the Point Loma district of San Diego harbor.

Alloys, Rubber and Chemicals Protect Tunamen Against Ravages of Tropics

The annual winter overhaul of Southern California fishing fleets was rapidly being completed as owners and crews readied their vessels for long voyages in 1950. The replacement, overhaul and modernization work in yards of San Diego and Los Angeles harbors was not so intense this winter as previously because of staggered fishing schedules in force for early-year departures of the tuna fleets.

A major job was undertaken by Harbor Boat Building Company, Terminal Island, for Joe Soares, San Diego, who had purchased the 124 clipper, *Madierense* and repowered her with an 825-hp., 8-cyl., supercharged Enterprise diesel. The machinery was completely overhauled and reconditioned, and a new Baker condenser for the refrigeration system installed. Radar was also installed.

Among the many jobs this year was the installation in Tony Trutanich's seiner *Star of San Pedro* of a new 450-hp. Enterprise diesel,

direct reversing, and fresh-water cooled. Also at this yard a new 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " by 18' Monel tail shaft with two Monel sleeves, was put in the seiner *Sea Scout*. A Goodrich Cutless bearing, 6" was installed.

New Clipper Nearly Done

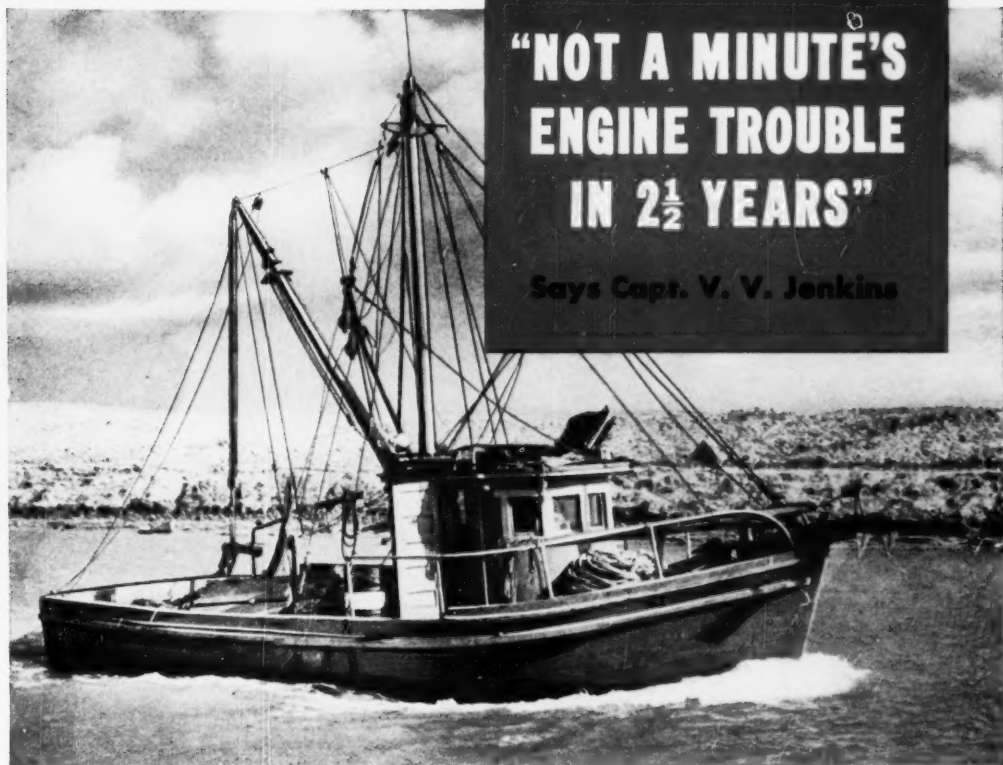
At San Diego Marine Construction Company, the final details are being completed on this pioneer yard's finest wood tuna clipper, 110' *Vera M.* The new clipper, to undertake her maiden cruise in early 1950, has General Motors propulsion and auxiliary power, Baker refrigeration, Westinghouse motors, 46 in all; Campbell bait pumps, "Fathometer," and Sperry magnetic compass and electric steering engine.

Using the San Diego Marine's great floating dock were a number of major clippers, including the *Mary E. Petrich*, *Sun Hilarita*, *White Star*, etc. Being reconditioned after being sunk and refloated at southern tuna banks was the clipper *Joyce*.

Campbell Machine Company, San Diego, always a busy yard at the end of the year, was crowded with clippers in December and early January. Next year the yard will be able to haul out twice the present number, with the installation of two 1,000-ton and one 400-ton floating dry docks.

White Star was in for building a new top on pilothouse and putting the crow's nest on a steel tripod. *Zarco*, formerly the *Galapagos*, was in for installation of two General Motors 75-watt diesel generating sets. *American Boy* received a 7 $\frac{3}{8}$ " by 18' monel tail shaft, with Goodrich Cutless bearing. *City of San Diego* had her brine system modernized. *Marlin VIII* was being rebuilt after a serious fire. At this yard probably two-score clippers were bottom and topside painted, many of them with Atlas paints.

National Steel & Shipbuilding Corporation yard was crowded with clippers. *Patria* was given a new



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streamlined pilothouse; *Katie Lou* was sandblasted; rigging was renewed on *Mary Barbara*. *Lucky Star* was sandblasted and metal sprayed. *Coronado* was bottom-painted with Navicote "Fishermen's Plastic." *Margie Pearl*, which had gone temporarily aground on her last southern trip, needed keel and shoe replacement and while hauled-out, a new Goodrich Cutless bearing was installed.

New pumps were installed in the *St. George*; anti-skid covering was used on decks of several clippers; *Lou Jean* received a new Goodrich pintle bearing on rudder, a new fish chute, and was hull-painted with Americoat, supplied by Nuttall-Styris. *Anna M.*'s wooden hull was burned down to skin and given two coats of copper paint. A new Ingle oil-burning range, complete with stainless steel accessories was installed by Carlson-Collins in the galley. *Joan of Arc* got a Goodrich rubber pintle bearing on her rudder.

Normandie, largest clipper, was in for extensive repairs and overhaul; *Mary Lou* had ammonia coils in wells and fish racks galvanized; *Conte Bianco* was given new coils in wells; *South Coast* got a Goodrich Cutless bearing and a new bait receiver to take south with her; *Sun Jason* was sandblasted, metal sprayed and decks covered with anti-skid.

Martinolich Shipbuilding Company had developed a new sand-washing machine which reduced time of cleaning down steel and wood hulls to one-day's time. *Paramount*, *Sun Ray*, *Sun Maid* and *American Clipper* were among many so treated. American Marine hot and cold plastic paints were used, and in this yard and many others hundreds of gallons of American Marine

Triple C copper compound paint was used.

Hull Sand-Washing Developed

At Martinolich the *St. Matthew* was given new 5" Goodrich bearings for tail shaft, inboard and outboard, among other repairs and replacement; *Lusitania* was equipped with a new bronze tail shaft with Monel liners; *Hornet* and *American Belle* got new oak rudders; bait wells on *Sun Voyager* were recoiled, and wells sand-blasted and metal sprayed. *Paramount* got a stainless steel galley sink.

St. Francis was given refrigeration work and Shepherd Diesel Marine supplied a DR-9, 200' Bendix Bantam Depth Recorder for installation in the clipper's tuna tender.

Shepherd also installed a Bendix DR-7, 100 fathoms Depth Recorder on the Kettensburg-38 Albacore boat, *South Wind*. Freeman Metal Pilots were put in the clippers, *Patria* and *Sun Splendor* by Shepherd's San Diego branch.

Monel Sleeves Installed

At Al Larson Boat Shop, Terminal Island, a new wood purse seiner was under construction. Dimensions are, length, 55', beam, 16', depth 8'. Main engine is a 120-hp. Atlas Imperial diesel. Many seiners were in this yard preparing for the coming tuna-netting season. The *City of Stockton* was in for installation of a new bronze tail shaft with Monel sleeves. Adolph Larson reported he is installing Monel sleeves for tail shafts in fishing vessels. In this yard, 90% of bottom and topside paint used is Atlas.

Long Beach Marine Repair Company launched the new 100' tuna clipper, *Marilyn Rose*, for Capt.

Anthony Brown and associates on December 17. The vessel has as propulsion an 8 cyl. 500-hp. Fairbanks Morse diesel. Auxiliaries are two General Motors 671 diesels connected to 60-kw. generating sets.

In mid December the yard had in for various services and repairs the clippers, *Miss America*, *Renown*, *Columbia*, *Southern Cross*, *Cal-Sea* and *White Star*, as well as a number of purse seiners.

An item of importance during the winter overhaul was marine bottom and topside paints. It was estimated at San Diego alone, the 150 or so tuna clippers in the various yards during the period required no less than 2,000 gals. of paint, for hulls, wells, interiors, etc.

Harbor Boat & Yacht Company was one of San Diego's busiest yards during the overhaul period. Arne Strom, the yard general manager, estimated around 30 to 40 clippers came in during December for various services and painting. The veteran clipper, *Alert*, underwent a modernization program and installation of a Carrier Freon compressor driven by a 20-hp. Fairbanks Morse motor. The *Jenita* was in for painting with Atlas Gold Label copper paint, and installation of an outboard Goodrich Bearing on the tail shaft.

West Point was in for engine overhaul; *St. Mary* for metal spraying of cargo wells, and new stainless steel sink in galley. *Morning Star* got a new bait tank; *North Star* received a new 3-hp. General Electric motor for running a brine transfer pump.

Capt. John Sellereit of the *Pacific Pride* purchased a Nordberg engine from the Cliffe Mathers Company to power his skiff.

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Westgate and Sun Harbor Merge

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The announcement was made



JACK CRIVELLO
Executive vice president of the Westgate-Sun Harbor Co., San Diego tuna firm in which are merged Sun Harbor Packing Co. and Westgate Sea Products Co.

jointly on December 5 by W. Wade Ambrose, president of Westgate, and Jack Crivello, president of Sun Harbor. Merger of the two large packing firms unites executive personnel from each of the canneries.

Mr. Ambrose became president of the new company, with Mr. Crivello executive vice president, but with both having equal administrative authority. Vice President K. J. Berglund of Sun Harbor became vice president for finances; James B. Lane, Westgate vice president, vice president for sales.

Other officers are: Carl Edwards, secretary; E. W. Sindelar, treasurer; Marvin Loughbom, sales manager for Sun Harbor Company, a separate sales division; Andrew Sanfilippo, production manager; Harold Requa,

Jr., advertising and public relations director. An executive committee is composed of the new president, executive vice president and two vice presidents. Board of directors consist of the committeemen; Louis J. Rice, Jr., Raymond M. Wansley and Fred Kunzel.

To Use Sun Harbor Plant

Production will center in the present Sun Harbor plant where plans for expansion and executive offices were already drafted in December. The consolidation assured retention of the Westgate interests in the San Diego area. Termination of tideland leases held by Westgate at the foot of Juniper St. posed the possibility of this pioneer concern being forced to seek a packing location elsewhere.

In a joint statement, the two cannery heads said, "The formation of the new company will have a stabilizing influence on the tuna industry. It combines a company which has enjoyed the largest growth of any tuna firm in the past 10 years and one which has a well established brand name noted for its quality."

To Feature "Breast O'Chicken" Brand

The new company intends to exploit Westgate's famous "Breast O'Chicken" tuna on a truly national basis. Since 1926 the brand has been gradually built up by extensive advertising campaigns until, when the merger came, it was being sold in 21 of the country's major marketing areas. Now, both executives told PACIFIC FISHERMAN it is the plan to make "Breast O'Chicken" known in every sales area in the country.

Both canneries have long histories of development. Westgate's roots were in the Arrow Packing Company in 1918. Wiley V. Ambrose, father of Wade, bought out this plant in 1921 and renamed it Westgate Sea Products Company. Wade was 26 when his father's untimely death in 1939 placed him as the company president. He gradually built up the firm's contract fleet until, when the cannery processed the *Endeavor's* fare on November 24 and the plant closed down, the fleet was composed of 17 large clippers.

Sun Harbor's beginning was the Normandy Sea Food Co. in 1917; later combined with the Wheeler-

Chase and known as Sun Harbor Packing Corporation. A. J. Cohn, with Roscoe Hopkins then took over and changed the name to Cohn-Hopkins, Inc.

Jack Crivello entered this firm as assistant to the production superintendent in 1933, after he quit the sea as skipper of his family's clipper, *Europa*—later to be lost in a typhoon at Okinawa after the war. In 1936, with J. C. Wood as president, and Jack Crivello, vice president, the cannery again became Sun Harbor

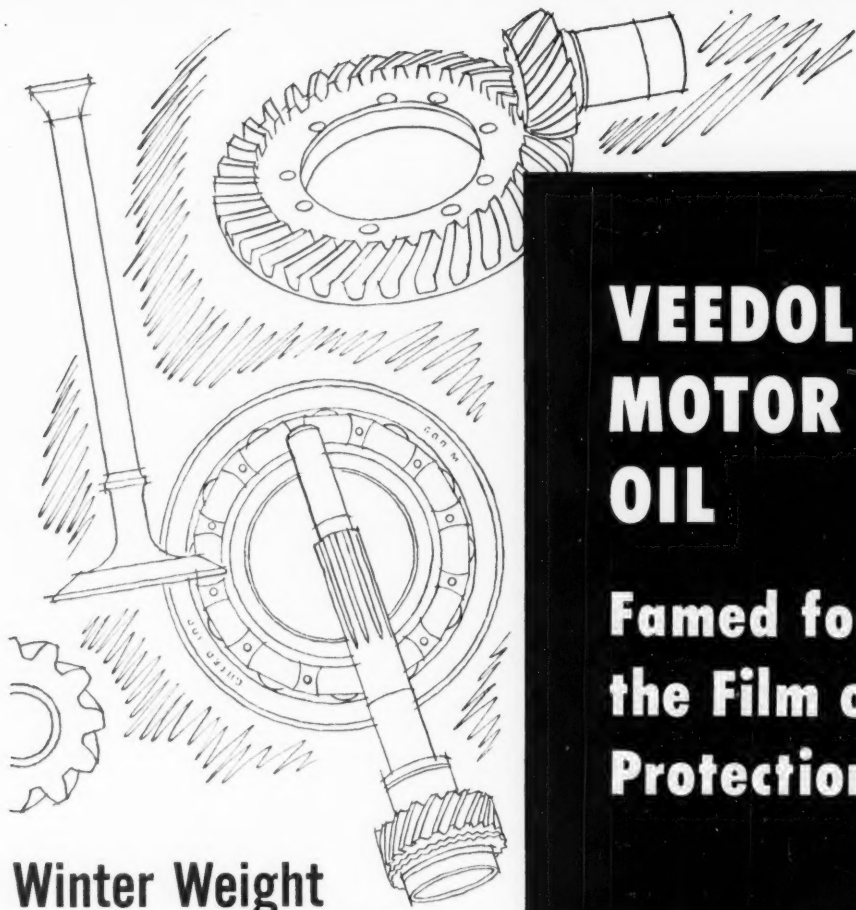


W. WADE AMBROSE
President, Westgate-Sun Harbor Co., new tuna packing consolidation.

Packing Corporation. Then, in 1939 the Crivello family bought out the Wood interest and the firm became Sun Harbor Packing Company.

Since that time Sun Harbor, under Jack Crivello and his executive personnel has attained a position as the second largest packer of tuna in California and, when the consolidation was made, had 31 major clippers delivering as well as numerous smaller local fishing vessels.

Even with the addition of the Westgate clipper fleet, the present Sun Harbor plant will not need much present expansion to cope with increased raw tonnage as, in the past few years it has been continually expanded and kept ahead of growing annual tonnage.



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Exploratory fishing vessel Oregon as equipped for Albacore investigations in Alaskan waters.

Long range navigation—provided by a loran installation—proved of very practical application in the fall Albacore exploratory voyage of the Fish and Wildlife Service vessel Oregon.

The Sperry loran equipment made it possible for the vessel to obtain an almost instant "fix" on every appearance of Albacore, and to report the presence of fish immediately to the fishing vessels in the vicinity.

In actual operation the fishermen found some difficulty in finding the spot where the fish had been located,

due to the nature of their navigational equipment.

Oregon was commanded on her voyage by Capt. Sheldon Johnson, who is due to take command of the Alaska exploratory vessel John N. Cobb when it is complete. This vessel, building by Western Boat Building Co., will be equipped with loran, as well as Sperry radar, magnetic compass pilot, electro-mechanical steering, and searchlight.

Fishing Value of Loran Evident

When the Oregon was in port during her cruise in Alaskan waters a number of fishermen visited the craft and Captain Johnson found them eager to see the loran demonstrated, as it appeared to possess valuable possibilities in the way of increasing the effectiveness of fishing operations, as well as of navigation.

Donald E. Powell, fishery engineer aboard Oregon, reported that en route north toward Alaska, several schools of tuna were sighted off Cape Cook and Cape Scott, but the fish were moving too fast and could not be approached for effective chumming with the live pilchard. Water temperatures were favorable, and feed appeared to be abundant in spots; but fish were not striking the trolling gear.

From Cape Chacon Oregon ran 300 miles off-shore. Water of 58° was reached in the vicinity of the Dickins Seamount, which is approximately 150 miles offshore; but no

tuna were seen until the Welker Seamount was reached. Several large Albacore were caught trolling in the afternoon in 57.5° water. It appeared these were scattered fish, as they were all caught singly, and no school could be found.

Fishing as far north as Sitka, Oregon found water temperatures were generally cold, and no fish were seen or caught until the Dickins Seamount was again reached. Scattered fish were caught off Dixon Entrance and the northern Queen Charlotte Islands but no large schools were encountered.

Albacore Averaged 14.25 Lbs.

Length and weight measurements were made on 185 Albacore caught in the area extending from Grays Harbor, Washington, to Sitka, Alaska, and up to 300 miles offshore. Fish ranged from 23.5" to 34.5", with an average length of 27.5". Weights ranged from 8.5 lbs. to 30 lbs. and averaged 14.25 lbs. The tuna taken were all immature fish. None examined showed the slightest approach toward a spawning condition.

Surface temperatures recorded at hourly intervals or less ranged from 49° F. to 61.5° F., the warm water of the Japanese current being encountered at varying distances offshore up to 100 miles or more de-

Capt. H. E. Crowther, chief of F. A. W. S. exploratory fishing section, with a large Albacore taken in the course of the Oregon expedition.



A jig-caught Albacore on the surface, just before being hauled aboard the Oregon.



pending on the latitude, time of year, and geographical features of the coastline. Tuna were caught in water from 56.8° to 61° F., the best fishing being found between 58° and 61°. Surface currents varied from day to day.

All Fish Taken on Jigs

All fish were caught on trolled jigs of various sizes, colors and construction purchased fully made-up on the commercial market or assembled by the fishermen on the ship. Two lines were trolled from each pole and two or three from the stern of the boat. The lines varied from 15 to 25 fathoms in length, and were usually fished without weights. Subsurface jigs pulled at various depths on several occasions failed to catch fish, but it is felt that further work with the weighted lines might prove successful under certain conditions. Preference for certain lures was found to vary from time to time; amber-head jigs, white

bone jigs, pearl-eyed jigs, and green-head jigs with red and white feathers all catching most fish in certain areas. When schools of Albacore were encountered, all jigs took fish.

Examination of the stomach contents of a representative number of fish caught revealed that no single item of food is dominant in the diet of the Albacore over the entire area studied. Small rockfish were one of the commonest foods noted. In the area of good fishing about 50 miles southwest of Cape Flattery, tuna caught were found to be feeding almost exclusively on small rockfish. Stomachs of specimens taken along the Queen Charlotte Islands also contained rockfish, but none were found in fish taken over the Dickins and Welker Seamounts in Alaskan waters.

"Redfeed" also was abundant in the stomachs of tuna taken in Canadian and Alaskan waters. Saury

were found in fish caught from the Washington coast to the Welker Seamount, providing almost the entire stomach contents at the latter place. Small squid, octopus, larval fish, and unidentifiable fish remains were included with the other food. Many fish examined had empty stomachs.

Fish Not in Tight Schools

No opportunity was found to use the live bait for effective chumming or pole-and-line fishing. Unlike the Albacore in southern waters which travel in large schools on the surface and are readily found by the presence of feed and birds, tuna in this area appeared to be scattered, traveling singly or in small schools. With very few exceptions, no surface sign was noticed before or during the time fish were caught. Catches in commercial quantities were made as far north as the upper end of Graham Island, but only scattered fish were found in Alaskan waters during the present survey.

Hovden Adds Line

The Hovden Food Products Corporation at Moss Landing has been equipped with a new American Can Co. closing machine for the 5-oz. round can line for sardines.

Sardine Holding Tank

Frank Richey, Port Costa Packing Co., Moss Landing, Calif., has installed a new 30-ton fish holding tank in the plant.

Mal Marsh, left, president and general manager of South Pacific Canning Co., Long Beach, greets Manuel A. Fernandes, captain of the new Avondale clipper *Sea Magic* after his return from the vessel's maiden fishing trip of some 90 days. South Pacific Canning Co., for whom *Sea Magic* fishes, is the packer of such labels as Blue Shore, Old South, Palomar, Royal Pacific, Sea Gold, South Pacific.



Hovden Albacore Pack Notable in North Calif.

Hovden Food Products Co., Monterey, emerged as one of Northern California's largest packers of Albacore during the 1948 season, according to W. O. Lunde, secretary-treasurer of the company.

Albacore was packed under Portola, Prefet, and Cresta Blanca brands, and fish were received from Eureka, Ft. Bragg, San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Monterey and Moss Landing. The Hovden plant in Monterey has large freezing and holding capacity, and Albacore was packed steadily for eight hours daily for three months, excepting Sundays and holidays.

Conference Work Impressive

Echoes from the Coronado salmon convention and the Pacific Fisheries Conference at Los Angeles received attention at the Northwest Association's November-December meetings; President M. G. Brown, on returning from the south, declared that the Conference was remarkably well conducted, marked by sincere hard work for the protection of all Pacific fishery interests by all participants, and well worth attending by any operators who can do so.

At this time, also, considerable attention was given to current and prospective labor problems of the salmon industry. The Association decided to hold no meeting from Dec. 7 to Jan. 11.

Mackerel Pack Nudges 900,000 Cases for '49

Canneries in the Los Angeles-Long Beach district and Newport Harbor needed less than 50,000 cases packed in December to attain a total of 900,000 cases for 1949, which would be a few thousand cases ahead of the previous year.

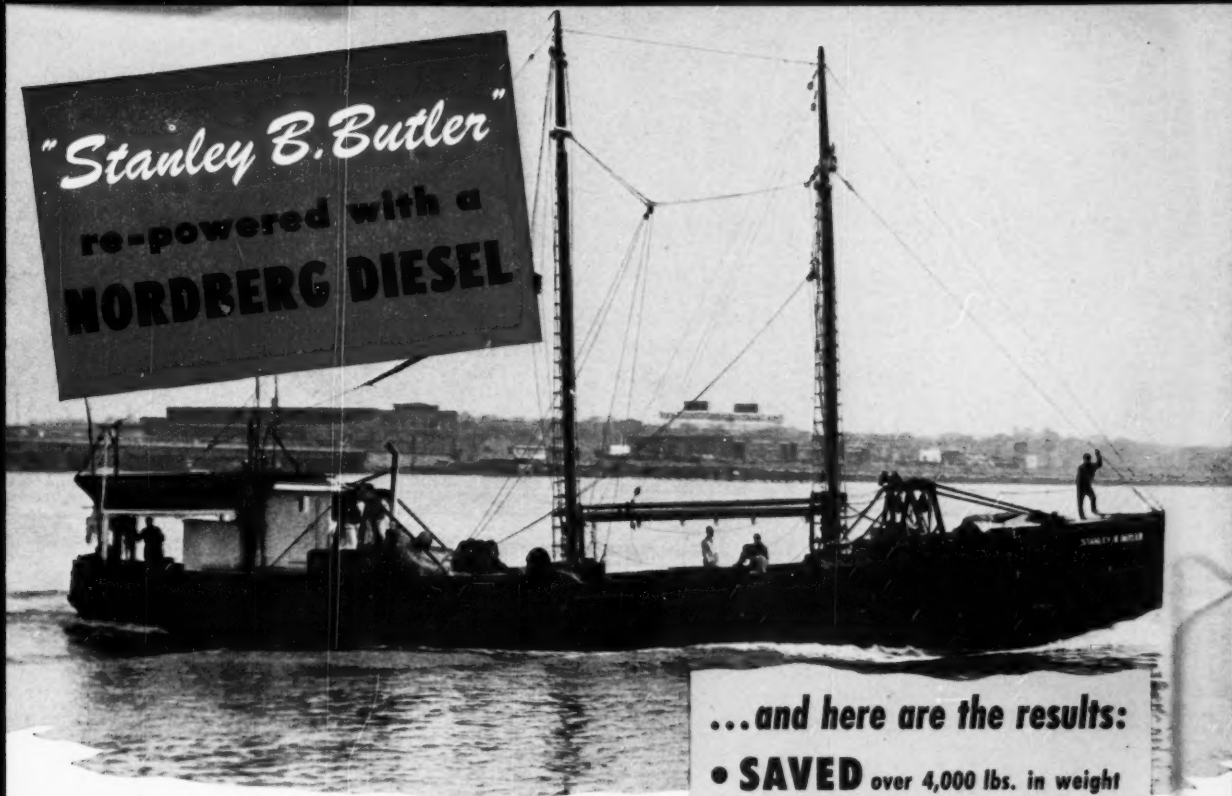
November produced 101,928 cases from 4,555 tons delivered by both seiners and scoopers. Biggest month of the year, which saw no cessation of deliveries for the entire 12 months, was October with 13,251 tons brailed, and 271,605 cases packed.

The season opened with \$60 per ton paid for Pacific; \$50 for Jack. However, as the sardine season opened, the raw price dropped materially until, in December \$40-35, Pacific and Jack was paid, with Newport scoopers receiving as low as \$25 per ton.

Demand for canned mackerel in the domestic market was brisk throughout the year, but there was a general weakening in canned prices. By December 15, the average quotation was \$5.75, Jack; \$6.25, Pacific, 1-lb. Talls. There was very little activity in the foreign market.

Such mackerel as packers held in late December was in very firm hands, and it was expected there would be a price raise in the early new year of probably 75c per case, both grades.

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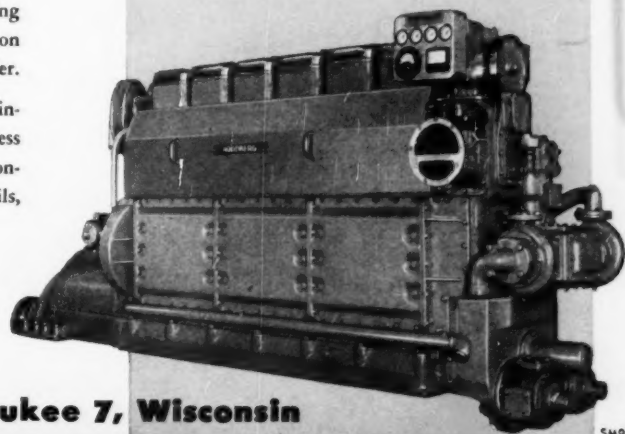
The 94 ft. dragger *STANLEY B. BUTLER*, owned by Capt. Olaf Anderson, has long been associated with the fishing industry around New Bedford, Mass. Helping to give this sturdy hull new vitality is her Nordberg Diesel main propulsion engine, installed some months ago in a repowering operation. The Nordberg Diesel chosen by Captain Anderson is a 6-cylinder, 9" x 11½" supercharged 4-cycle direct-reversing unit. Developing 480 hp at 720 rpm, and equipped with a 2:1 reduction gear, this dependable Diesel swings a 64"x48" propeller.

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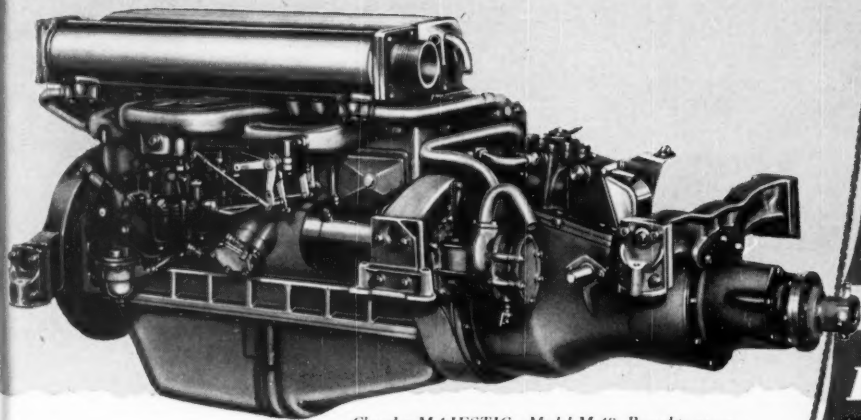


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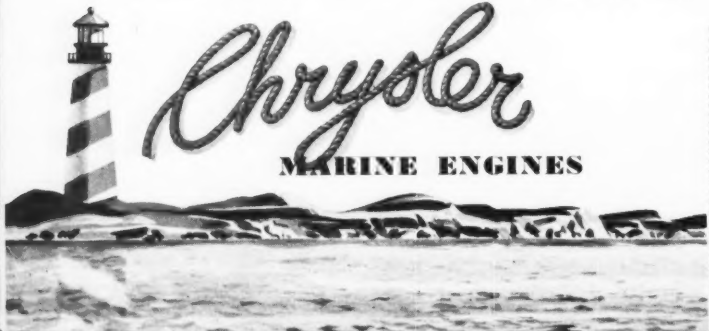
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Atlantic City Conventions

Attract Salmon Sellers

Most of the Pacific canned salmon sales organizations, and some of the production departments, will be represented at the National Cannery Association and National Food Brokers' conventions at Atlantic City, N. J., the week of Jan. 22-28. Some of the conventioners plan to return direct; others will spend a month or more calling on their trade connections. Representation of the various concerns, as far as could be learned at presstime, will be as follows:

Anderson & Miskin, Ltd.—Alex H. Gibson, vice-president.

H. G. Bauer Co.—Harold G. Bauer, to spend all of January among the principal Atlantic seaboard markets.

Columbia River Packers Association, Inc.—Tom Sandoz, executive vice-pres.; Fred S. Sandoz, sales manager; John S. McGowan and H. Wm. Larson, at the Shelbourne, room 400; possibly also Nick Bez, chairman of the board, and Edward W. Thompson, president.

Deming & Gould Co. and Pacific American Fisheries, Inc.—Howard L. Scott, pres. Deming & Gould, with G. R. Squires and A. P. Rickert, at Haddon Hall; numerous calls on brokers and distributors, both going and returning.

Dehn & Co., Inc.—Karl and Alan Dehn, at Haddon Hall; to make some calls afterward.

Gavin Bros., Inc.—Jay and Neill Gavin, at Haddon Hall; to visit trade in a number of markets before returning.

G. P. Halferty & Co.—Guy Halferty, Sr., with H. H. Horchover, Marnie Brown and Fred Kolash, at the Ambassador; Marnie and Fred to do some traveling afterward.

Hamlin-Halferty Seafoods, Inc. (successor to E. H. Hamlin Co.)—G. P. Halferty, Jr., to make a number of visits en route going and returning.

P. E. Harris & Co.—E. M. Brennan, vice-president, and newly-elected president of Association of Pacific Fisheries, with E. O. Paup, sales manager; Miss Montan as secretary, and possibly John X. Johnson of the Harris organization.

George A. Jensen & Co.—Geo. A. and Geo. W. Jensen, at the Marlborough-Blenheim; Geo. A. to cover

the principal eastern markets afterward.

Junge-McGregor Co.—R. D. Junge, with H. M. Shipley, Spokane manager.

Kelley-Clarke Co.—Walter H. Tuesley, manager salmon department, and Walter C. Meredith, assistant manager; will probably spend some time visiting markets.

McGovern & McGovern—E. B. McGovern, L. A. Petersen and Arthur McGovern, at 1009 Haddon Hall. E. B. will start early and make stops at the Twin Cities, Chicago, Cleveland, Buffalo and New York, and later make a trip through the "deep south"; Mr. Petersen to cover the New England states, and Arthur McGovern the Southwest, after the convention.

New England Fish Co.—R. Starr Farish, sales manager, and Bill Gilbert, field representative; to spend some time afterward calling on the trade.

North Pacific Seafoods—Robert S. Ennis, Jr., sales manager, at the Shelbourne; to cover all eastern markets from early January to mid-March.

Oceanic Sales Co.—J. E. Salmon, F. Leo White and James Stephens; to do some post-convention traveling, but plans not fully developed.

Red Salmon Co. and its sales branch, **Frank B. Peterson Co.**, and **Wards Cove Packing Co.**—A. W. Brindle and possibly Harold Brindle, proprietors, and Emery Stanley of the sales department.

Reno-Johnson-Sjoblom, Inc.—K. V. Sjoblom and possibly F. H. Johnson; to leave about the first of the year and visit all their field brokers during January and February.

S & P Sales Co.—Phil Carmichael, at the Shelbourne.

San Juan Fishing & Packing Co.—Lawrence Calvert, president, and possibly William Calvert, at the Ritz-Carlton.

Walter P. Shiel & Co.—Walter P. Shiel, at Ritz-Carlton with the Calverts, for whose canned fish line he is sales agent; to remain east through February and visit many markets.

Skinner & Eddy Corp., Inc.—H. A. "Dixie" Fleager and Jack O. Daly; Mr. Fleager to spend three weeks in

New York, then visit Boston, Chicago and San Francisco before returning; Mr. Daly to visit a number of other markets.

Ivar Wendt—Ivar Wendt and Bob Balle, at the Ritz-Carlton; Mr. Balle to start early and make a number of calls before and after the convention.

Whitney & Co. and Carl Rubinstein Co.—E. Guy Wilson, at the Ritz-Carlton; and Sam Rubinstein may drop in on his way to Europe.

Skinner & Eddy Recommend Reading Pacific Fisherman

Skinner & Eddy Corp., Inc., Seattle, in a recent bulletin to their brokerage representatives throughout the country, say:

"We recommend that you subscribe to the **PACIFIC FISHERMAN**—a monthly publication dealing with Salmon, Tuna, Sardines, Crabmeat, etc."

"As a result of more than 30 years' experience with food brokers and salesmen," the circular says, "We are firmly of the belief that salesmanship is partly knowledge of the product being offered; partly honest faith in the principal being represented, and partly enthusiasm and hard, conscientious effort. The broker or salesman having all these qualities is certain to be more successful than those 'order-takers' that we all know."

The circular was accompanied by several pages of highly condensed information about canned salmon, covering such essential points as the five species; production by species and districts; packing seasons; codes, quality ratings and labeling; contract terms; comparative food value, etc.

New Brokers Appointed For "NEFCO" Salmon

R. Starr Farish, who is sales manager for the New England Fish Co., returning in mid-November from three weeks in the east, announces the appointment of three new brokers for the company's canned fish lines: Crevier, Larsen & Co., Boston; Carl Shorter Co., Memphis, Tenn., and Elggren & Thompson, Salt Lake City.

Mr. Farish and Bill Gilbert, field representative, will represent the New England Fish Co. at the Atlantic City conventions in January, planning to visit their representatives in a number of markets before returning to Seattle.

San Francisco Seiners Haul Sardines Long Way

Many of the 75,000-plus tons of sardines which have made the San Francisco sardine season by far the best in several years have been hauled from as far as San Luis Obispo, according to Capt. Harold Andersen, master of the big seiner *Marine View*, who returned to Seattle for a few days during the early December full moon period.

The long run had kept the fishery from being really attractive, according to Capt. Andersen, who is president of the Pacific Coast Purse Seiners Association.

Steel Fish Scows Prove New Trend

Further proof of the trend toward the use of steel fish scows for handling salmon in Alaska is seen in the recent award of a contract for two scows 60 by 18 by 4.5' to Flohr & Co., Seattle metal fabricators, by New England Fish Co.

The scows were designed by H. C. Hanson, Seattle naval architect, and the decision to build them of steel resulted from the successful performance of such steel barges in the operations of this company and a number of others over the past several years.

Fortune Fills Line

Fortune Fisheries, San Francisco, is now handling Cuban lobster tails, Cuban frozen lobster, frozen lobster meat, and Danish trout. The sea foods are imported by the Atlanta Trading Co., New York.

F. R. DEVEAU, managing partner of the Island Seafoods Co., Kodiak, recently brought the company's power scow down to Seattle for winter lay-up, but expected to return to Kodiak for Christmas. He says the past season at Chignik, where Island Seafoods' floating cannery operated, was a complete flop, being closed through most of the Red run.

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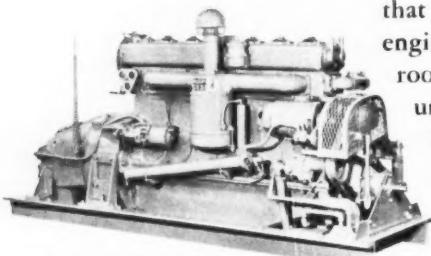
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Echo-Sounder Spots Unseen School Of Herring That Yields 1,180-Ton Set

Something close to an all-time record for a single set of herring off the British Columbia coast was achieved by Nelson Bros. Fisheries' seiner *Western Ranger* Nov. 2, with a haul of 1180 tons of fish.

All-time top score for herring taken in a single set was tallied by B. C. Packers' *Eastisle* in 1948 with 1240 tons in Esperanza Inlet.

Western Ranger's catch, apart from its size, was notable for the fact that the area was shrouded in fog which fortunately lifted to some extent just as the set was made.

Captain Hans Støilen is skipper of the *Western Ranger* and he made his set soon after his echo sounder revealed the presence of a large school of herring. *Western Girl*, the flagship of the Nelson Bros. fleet, was close by under the command of the veteran high-liner Captain Charlie Clark, who has a few records of his own to his credit. The two boats were in constant radio telephone communication with each other while the operation was being completed, and fishermen and shore stations over a wide radius listened in while the big set was being made.

It was a big day for herring fishermen off the east coast of Vancouver Island. The big set was made near Courtenay in the Gulf of Georgia, but on the same day vessels of B. C. Packers, Ltd., and The Canadian Fishing Co. were taking in a total of more than 2000 tons for each company, while Nelson Bros.' fleet, boosted by *Western Ranger's* phenomenal haul, reported 2610 tons for the day.

Grand total for the 24-hour period in Lambert Channel where *Western Ranger* and other craft were operating that day was 7925 tons, and nearly all the fish were actually taken during a 12-hour stretch. This is probably an all-time high for a period of that duration. There were about 40 seiners and packers in the Middle East Coast district at the time.

The big harvest of Nov. 2 was sufficient to close out the season in that area, where the quota had been set at 10,000 tons. From the Middle East Coast most of the seiners moved back to the Lower East Coast to fill the quota of 40,000 tons, where 33,000 tons had been caught earlier in

the season in that district.

With the two East Coast quotas filled, the fleet shifted to the West Coast of Vancouver Island where there are no quota restrictions. Herring ordinarily do not start schooling up there until considerably later than in the other districts.

But there was plenty of evidence that 1949-50 would see an unusually heavy herring harvest. Most of the herring is going to the reduction plants this year as there has been little demand for the canned pack. At November 17, 263 cases had been canned, however, and production of meal totalled 4,339 tons; of oil 693,805 imperial gallons.

There was a big carryover in 1947 and 1948 of canned herring, but the opening of the current season saw most of it cleared up, Hong Kong taking a large proportion of it for sale in the Orient. Some of the operators canned herring this year simply because they had a large supply of cans and tomato sauce, and it seemed to be good policy to pack and take a chance with the market rather than continue to be stocked up with containers and sauce.

R. Starr Farish Advanced By New England Fish Co.

R. Starr Farish, who has been assistant sales manager of the New England Fish Co., Seattle, for a number of years, was advanced to the position of sales manager of the company January 1, according to an announcement by Harald Synnestvedt, president and general manager.

As sales manager, Mr. Farish succeeds to the position held by his father, the late R. R. Farish, who was Nefco sales manager for many years prior to his death in 1942.

In addition to handling sales of the company's canned salmon, tuna and crab, Mr. Farish will also be responsible for sales of Nefco Chillets, the company's line of packaged frozen fish.

Starr Farish joined the sales department of the New England Fish Co. in 1938, returning to it after naval service in World War II. Before entering the company's service he had five years of experience with brokerage houses in the canned food trade.

Pacific Fisheries Technologists Organize

With 66 persons attending, a meeting of technologists interested in fisheries, held at the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service technological laboratory, Seattle, Dec. 9, decided to undertake a permanent organization to be known as Pacific Fisheries Technologists.

Harry Beard, research director of the New England Fish Co., and also chairman of the Technological Section of the National Fisheries Institute, was elected chairman, with Bruce Sanford of the FAWS Seattle laboratory as secretary.

Membership of the executive committee was selected as follows: Dr. R. W. Clough, Maurice Stansby, Lyle Swain, Dr. Edward Harvey, Norman Armstrong.

Dr. R. W. Clough, Northwest branch, National Cannery Association; Maurice Stansby, Seattle technological laboratory, U.S.F.A.W.S.; Lyle Swain, Fisheries Experimental Station, Vancouver, B.C.; Dr. Edward Harvey, Food Products Lab-

oratory, Astoria; Norman Armstrong, British Columbia Packers, Ltd.; Roger W. Harrison, Lyle Branchflower Co., Seattle; Elzie Reed, New England Fish Co., Astoria.

Arrangements were made for a spring meeting to be held at Seattle Feb. 24 and 25.

Oxnard Plant Improved

Oxnard Cannery, Inc., Monterey, has installed a new 5-oz. round can line for sardines. They have put in a new Continental Can Co. closing machine, and a new pre-cooker, with Link-Belt chains.

Campbell Machine Company's softball team, composed of personnel from every department of the yard, won the 1949 championship for the San Diego county league, and thereby won four trophies. Manager of the team was BUS HAWTHORNE, with CHET JORDAN the star pitcher, both of the pipe-fitting department. Other top players were EDDIE MYERS, purchasing department, and BERT NICHOLS, machinist, according to GEORGE CAMPBELL.



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ALASKA SALMON INDUSTRY, INC.

ELECTS C. F. JOHNSON PRESIDENT

C. F. Johnson of the Port Ashton Packing Corporation was chosen president of the Alaska Salmon Industry, Inc., at its tenth annual meeting, held in Seattle Nov. 29. He succeeds E. E. Murray of the Alaska Pacific Salmon Co. and Bristol Bay Packing Co., who retired after three years of service.

Mr. Johnson, though counted among the younger men of the industry, has had long experience, with increasing responsibilities. For some years he has been active in the packers' cooperative activities, and has served as president of the Northwest Salmon Cannery Association.

All other officers were re-elected: A. R. Barthold and Vance F. Sutter, vice-presidents; Leo T. Kreielsheimer, secretary-treasurer, and A. C. Arnold, managing director.

The only changes in the board of directors were election of a new group — Henry J. Emard of the Emard Packing Co.; Jack Lind, General Fish Co., and Capt. C. E. Anderson of the Seldovia Bay Packing Co.—to represent the Cook Inlet area, and substitution of Stanley G. Tarrant for J. A. Green of Pacific American Fisheries, Inc., for the northern part of Southeast Alaska. Directors for other districts are:

Bristol Bay—Guy V. Graham, Mr. Barthold and Wm. B. Wootton;

Alaska Peninsula—Mr. Murray, E. M. Brennan and Starr H. Calvert; *Kodiak*—O. L. Grimes, Mr. Kreielsheimer and Harold M. Parks;

Cordova District—Oscar Bergseth, Mr. Johnson and Milton G. Brown;

Southeast Alaska, north—Mr. Tarrant, A. R. Brueger and Frank Wright;

Southeast Alaska, south—A. W. Brindle, H. B. Friele and Fred Gunderson.

Research Progress Gratifying

Reviewing the year's developments, Mr. Murray declared the biological research program, sponsored by the industry and carried on by the Fishery Research Institute of the University of Washington, is making "gratifying progress," and noted that President Raymond B. Allen of the University is taking a personal interest in the work. Some aspects of the program were discussed in detail in an address by Dr. Wm. F. Thompson, director of

the Research Institute, which is presented under separate head.

Alaska Salmon Industry, Inc., was first organized to deal with labor problems, but it has, of necessity, grown to cover a much broader field; and Mr. Murray said its scope still continues to expand, as new problems arise and there are more official agencies to deal with. He referred, in passing, to the Industries participation in the Pacific Fisheries Conference, dealing with national and international affairs; in the Coordinating Committee of the Canned Salmon Industry, by which problems of the industry as a whole are channeled to the appropriate agencies; and in the conference at Juneau last January with Alaskan authorities on the territorial Safety and Sanitation Code, which has since been adopted and was recently published.

Mr. Murray also reviewed a number of court decisions (most of which were favorable to the industry) and various legislative matters, federal and territorial, which especially concern the salmon packers.

On recommendation of the finance

Robert Ladd of the Plymouth Cordage Co., who will come to the Pacific Coast in January to represent Plymouth in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska under the direction of W. C. Bryant, Pacific district manager with headquarters in San Francisco. This picture of Mr. Ladd was taken at Coronado, Calif., in November when he came to attend the Association of Pacific Fisheries convention with Bartlett Bradley, sales manager.



committee, it was decided to make a reduction of 1c per case in dues of the Industry organization, which for 1950 will be on the basis of 4c per case on each member's 1949 output.

Mr. Arnold, speaking of the labor situation, referred to the possibility of jurisdictional conflicts affecting the new year's operations. Other speakers, in addition to Dr. Thompson, were Dr. Raymond E. Seth and C. Moriarty, secretary of the Associated General Contractors of Alaska. Dr. Seth pointed out that, under recent Alaska legislation, it is now *definitely required* that every prospective non-resident employe, before going to Alaska, must undergo physical examination by a competent physician. Mr. Moriarty offered the suggestion that his organization and the Salmon Industry might well cooperate in meeting common problems.

Anderson's Headquarters Now at Seldovia

Since he became Mayor of Seldovia, Alaska, Capt. C. E. "Squeaky" Anderson has moved the main headquarters of his enterprises, Seldovia Bay Packing Co. (formerly Alaska-Seldovia Packers, salmon cannery) and Seldovia Fisheries Co. (fish freezing, etc.) to that town, where a year-round office is maintained, with Ralph Pixton in charge when "Squeaky" is away. The Seattle offices of these concerns were recently moved to 661 Olympic National Bldg.

Since the fishing season Capt. Anderson and his chief assistant, Harry Tallman, have been almost "commuting" back and forth between Seldovia and Seattle, where their presence is necessary much of the time through the winter.

Capt. Anderson recently loaned a dock winch from his plant to Rev. Oscar Olson to be used in rigging up a ski run for the young folks of Seldovia.

Rugged 65-Footer Works Crabs Out of Yaquina

The rugged, rounded hull form favored by builders down the Oregon coast characterizes *Margaret E.*, a brand new 65-footer which Bert Erickson of Newport, Ore., put to work this winter fishing crabs out of Yaquina Bay.

The boat was finished up in November at the Siletz Boat Works.

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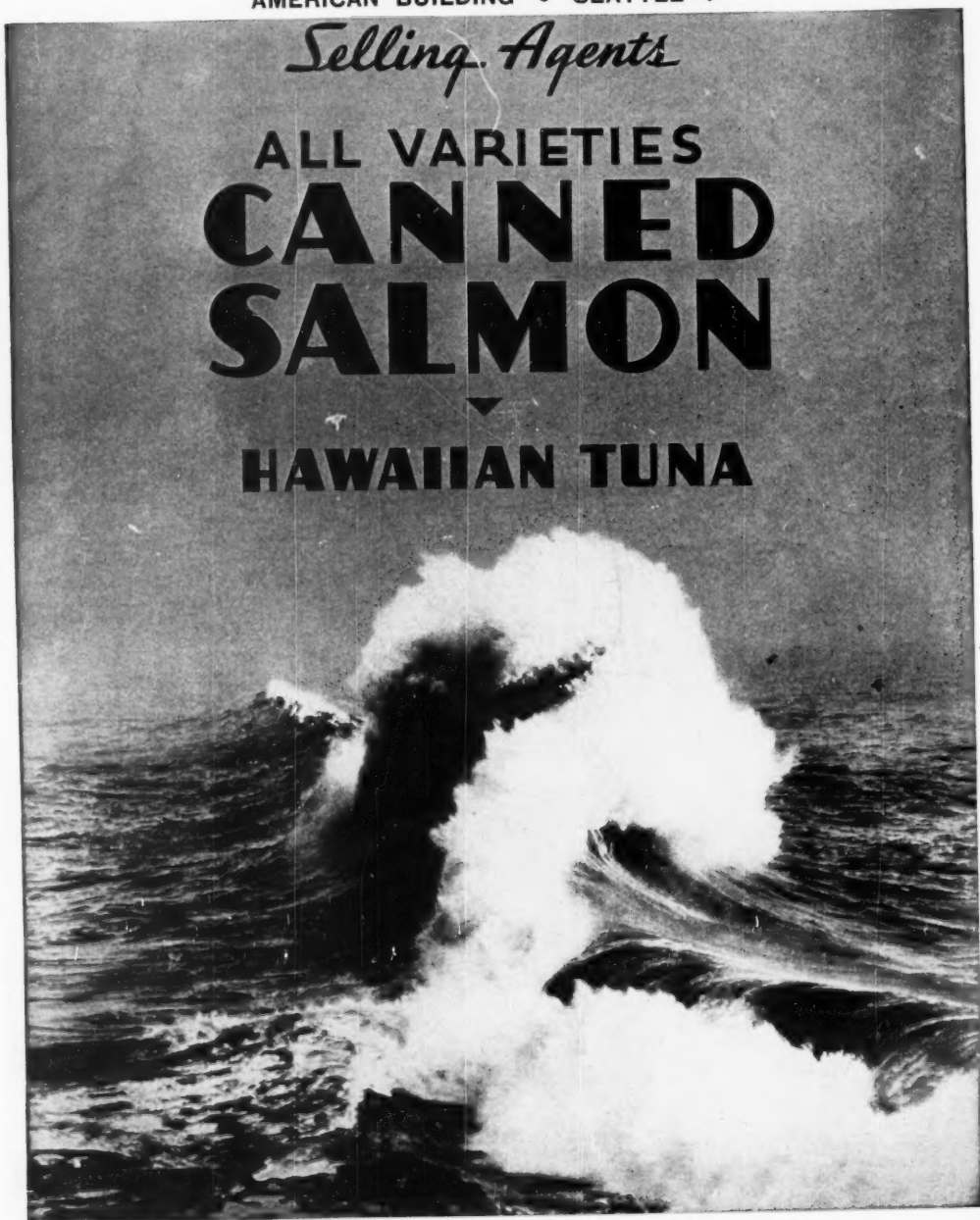
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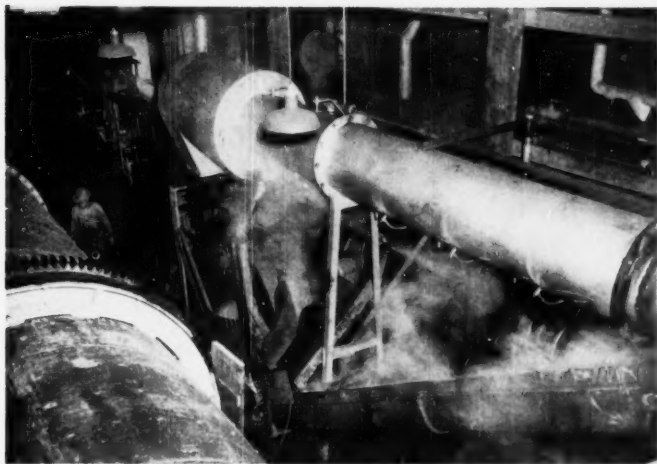
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P & L continuous dewatering press in operation at Nelson Bros. Fisheries' herring reduction plant at Steveston, B. C. Note the exceptionally small size of the press—located in lower center of the picture directly below the drop light. Dryer on the left and cooker entering the photo from the right.

Several British Columbia fish handling plants have recently installed by-products equipment for making more complete use of material that would otherwise be wasted in processing; and for achieving economic utilization of species such as herring, for which the market of the canned product is currently unfavorable.

The installations represent a long stride taken by the industry towards fuller integration of processing and maximum utilization of the raw material.

In seeking this overall objective operators have recently installed several P & L continuous dewatering presses and auxiliary equipment. At present, Nelson Brothers Fisheries, Ltd., has four of these units installed: two at the Ceepeecee plant on the west coast of Vancouver Island; one at Port Edward; and one at Steveston. B. C. Packers, Ltd., has one of these machines at its Alert Bay reduction plant on the west coast of Vancouver Island and another at its subsidiary Western Whaling Corporation plant at Coal Harbor. Gordon Young (B.C.), Ltd., is installing a machine at its plant near the mouth of the Fraser River.

Most of these operations use the presses for herring, which they han-

dle at an average of about 8½ tons an hour. However, at Port Edward the Nelson Bros. plant has found effective use for its equipment in converting halibut and salmon offal

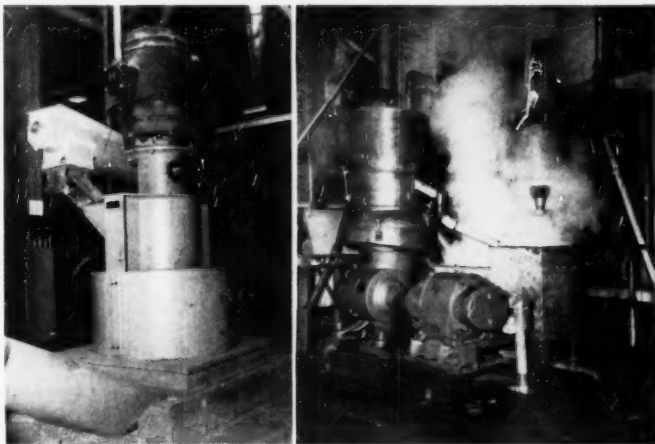
into stock and poultry feed meal. It is expected such machines will find increased use in the future in the B. C. salmon industry as operators seek to make the fullest possible use of everything left over from canning.

The P & L presses are made by P & L Welding & Machine Works, Anaheim, Calif., and are usually equipped with variable speed units manufactured by U. S. Electrical Motors, Inc., of Los Angeles. It has been found that with these so-called "Vari-Drive" motors, instead of constant speed units, it is possible to move the presses from one plant to another according to the seasons with a minimum of inconvenience. Such flexibility naturally affords an opportunity of keeping the machines in operation for a longer period during the year, thus accounting for substantial saving in operating cost.

In adapting the machines for use in British Columbia fisheries, only a few minor readjustments have been necessary, mainly in changes to the feed screw. An old problem in handling salmon offal has been the difficulty of separating foreign material. Regardless of precautions,

On the left—P&L vertical hammermill or disintegrator used for grinding meal from salmon offal or herring or other fish material after passing through the press and dryer.

Delaval Separator, Model ACDO is pictured on the right, separating oil from press liquor at the rate of 3,500 gallons of liquor per hour in the Steveston, B. C., reduction plant of Nelson Bros. Fisheries, Ltd.



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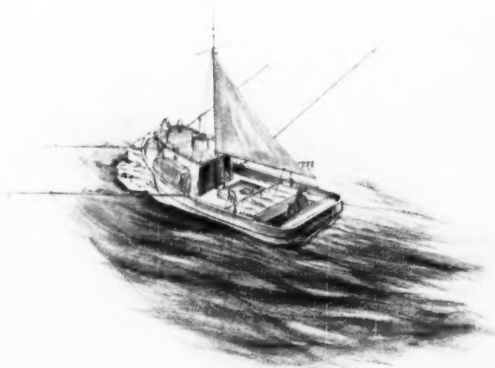
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such things as cannery workers' gloves and cans get into the offal bins and conveyors and, unless detected and removed in time, work their way into the cooker screw. Magnetic apparatus has been installed in some instances to separate the cans and other metal, but the gloves still occasionally cause a jam and once in a while a persistent seagull goes through the works.

Herring or salmon offal is delivered from the bins by conveyor and elevator to the cylindrical cookers of conventional design. From the cooker the material is fed to the dewatering press. The solids, or press cake, then goes to the P & L vertical hammer mill or disintegrator for grinding before drying. Stock and poultry feed thus produced has a protein content of about 70 per cent.

Liquid from the P & L press, separated from the solids, is pumped to the settling tank, then to the

foots reel and the centrifugals or some other type of separator or sludger for extraction of oil. From there it goes back to the oil storage tanks. In the Nelson Bros. plant at Steveston the oil is recovered by means of DeLaval centrifugal separators.

Residual liquid after extraction of the oil may be utilized in a stick-water plant. B. C. Packers at present operates the only plant of this kind in British Columbia at Steveston.

At the University of Washington in Seattle a pilot plant is to be equipped with similar presses and auxiliaries for experimental work in connection with processing of salmon offal under the direction of Dr. Waldon H. Hastings.

P & L presses have been used satisfactorily with wood pulp, sawdust, grass and peat as well as fish products. All British Columbia installations have been made by Grove Processing Equipment, Inc., Vancouver and Seattle.

Simplicity of the P & L continuous dewatering press is featured by simplicity of design. It is said to water any material that is fibrous enough to pack. The material enters the press at the top and falls between large revolving discs, turning on tilted trunnions so that the discs come close together while rotating. The pressure forces liquids through screen plates in the discs, while press cake is discharged continuously at the back of the press, opposite the intake. The press operates slowly and the working parts are comparatively few.

There are six steel screen plates or press plates on each disc. The screens or perforated plates of brass or steel are riveted to the press plates, which are so constructed that only two bolts are needed to hold them in place.

Size of the P & L press is one of its noteworthy features, as overall dimensions are only 75" wide, 82½" long and 68" high.

Foremen Must Study Alaska Safety Code

It will be necessary for all Alaska cannery and other fish-plant foremen to familiarize themselves with the territory's new Safety and Sanitation Code before next season—and other executives, owners, etc., should also fully understand its requirements.

This was made clear in discussion at the pre-Thanksgiving meeting of the Northwest Salmon Cannery Association, when it was announced that a number of packers had received printed copies of the code (supposed to have been issued last spring), and all were expected to receive them shortly.

Though far more practical and less drastic than the provisions first proposed, the code is very long and goes into great detail. From casual examination, it does not appear that important changes will have to be made in many existing plants, but the requirements as to new installations are rather rigorous.

Clipperman Sues City

V. C. Collier, owner of the San Diego tuna vessel *Greyhound*, last month demanded \$5,429 damages from the City of San Diego for an accident to his vessel July 28 while moored to the embarcadero. He alleged protruding piling below the surface smashed in the vessel's hull, causing her to be beached.

Sardine Cutting and Fillet Machine Developed

Ray Bentley, Universal Canning Machinery Co., Monterey, Calif., who has introduced many improvements into fish canning techniques, has developed a combination cutting and fillet machine for sardines and similar fish.

A model machine has been installed at the Monterey plant of Sun Harbor Packing Co. On the new combination machine the tail knife can be adjusted so that any length of cut desired can be made for the whole fish cut.

The fillet unit is attached so that it can be engaged whenever desired, or disengaged. The viscera from the fish is removed by a new type of vacuum pump developed by Bentley. The pump is of the piston type, and it has a stainless steel shaft.

Dredging Aids Campbell

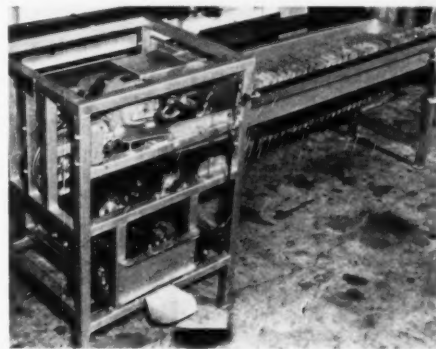
As a result of an extensive dredging operation for the construction of the 10th St. industrial pier in San Diego harbor, Campbell Machine Company, whose yard is adjacent, will have an opportunity to put into service three drydocks the company has had for some time. Now, with water dredged to 35' at low tide, two 1,000-ton floating docks and one 400-ton dock are to go into service around the end of January. This will give the pioneer tuna clipper yard double the present capacity for haul-outs.

Clipper Engineers Get Own Union Unit

Machinists' Lodge 389, AFL, San Diego announced early in December the formation of a separate unit of clipper chief engineers and assistant engineers who, up until now have been grouped with shipyard workers. The new group is known as Lodge 389E.

New officers are: Hugh G. Maxwell, president; William P. LeCompte, vice president; Charles E. Whitehurst, recording secretary; Harry Justice, financial secretary; Paul Malone, treasurer; Franklin A. Diamond, conductor; Dennis Morris, sentinel. Trustees: O. E. Hitchcock, Robert J. Hitchcock and Archie E. Easley. George R. Maker is business agent.

Combination sardine cutting and filleting machine developed by Ray Bentley of Monterey.



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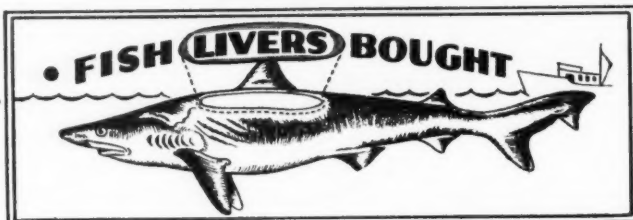
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BRIDGE RADAR "TALKS" BOAT TO VANCOUVER IN PEA-SOUPER

To Captain Joe Gregory of B. C. Packers' 73' packer *Tatchu* goes the honor of being the first navigator to take his vessel into Vancouver harbor by "remote control."

Early in November fog hung so thick in Vancouver harbor that veteran skippers were having their troubles operating in waters as familiar to them as their own galley under normal conditions.

One of them was Gregory as he and the *Tatchu* approached Lion's Gate bridge at the harbor entrance. Gregory couldn't see the bridge, nor could the bridge signalman above—Bob Sneddon. But Sneddon was watching the little blob of light on the bridge radar apparatus, and the little blob was the *Tatchu*.

Sneddon signaled Gregory by radio telephone and told him he would guide the *Tatchu* to port if he followed instructions.

"We just left everything to the signalman on the bridge," reported Gregory. "The fog was so thick we couldn't see the second light on the mast. Probably we could have made it, using our echo sounder and compass, but it wasn't worth the risk."

"Then I remembered the radar set on the bridge and telephoned the signalman. Radar took over after that. They started to guide us when we were abreast of Point Atkinson, warned us when we were approaching two tugs with log booms and then off Brockton Point told us it was okay to turn into Coal Harbor."

"It's a good rig and I'm going to tell all the fishermen about it. Any boat with a standard 1630 kilocycle radio band for contacting the Lion's Gate Bridge has no excuse now for running aground in the Narrows."

Three large Vancouver fishing vessels ran aground near Steveston during the heavy fog of the same period. The 77' B. C. Packers' fish-packer *Koprino* ran ashore below the old Canadian-Scottish cannery site, and Canadian Fishing Co.'s 67' packer *Nordic*, which went to her assistance, also grounded. About the same time, Anglo-B. C. Packing Co.'s 67' packer *Sea Ranger* hit a sandbar. The three packers had been carrying herring to the Steveston reduction plants.

Two Canadian Fishing Co. seiners, *Cape Scott* and *Cape Bathurst*, grounded in the Hornby Island area, and Francis Miller & Co.'s 110'

packer *Gryme* piled up near Porlier Pass.

In no case, however, was serious damage caused and refloating was effected without much delay.

California Albacore Catch Greatest Ever

Southern California's Albacore season, one of the longest and certainly the most productive in history was practically closed when December began, although a few "die-hards" were still searching for the Longfins at Guadalupe Island, Lower California. The season had produced 20,000 tons, nearly 5,000 more tons than in 1948.

The opening raw price of \$400 per ton had dropped in early fall to \$350, when the large percentage of a great fleet, estimated between 1,000 and 1,500 boats, with every port along the Pacific represented, quit for the season.

The season opened in mid-June, gained its greatest impetus in July when San Diego received 5,058 tons and Los Angeles harbor 2,348 tons. November saw 173 tons delivered at San Diego; 57 tons at the northern port. Total for the season, although not yet complete, was San Diego, 12,220 tons; Los Angeles-Long Beach harbors, and including Newport harbor: 7,737 tons. In mid-December Van Camp Sea Food Company received small fares as evidence Albacore is still making a long visit to the upper waters of Lower California.

Sperry Officials Study West Coast Fishery Applications

For the particular purpose of studying the application of Sperry Gyroscope Co. instruments and machinery in the Pacific Coast fishing industry, J. A. Fitz, Sperry director of advertising, and S. W. Bedell, Sperry sales services manager, recently visited the company's western branch offices.

At Seattle they consulted with H. S. Burtis, district manager, and C. E. Dalgleish, district marine superintendent.

Going on to San Francisco, the Sperry executives conferred with W. F. Horn, district manager; and then went on to Los Angeles, where they spent some time with W. I. Selover, district manager for Southern California.

Mr. Fitz, Mr. Burtis and Mr. Selover were three of the four original service engineers for the Sperry company, their service going back more than 32 years.

CHRIS PEDERSEN, skipper of the seiner *Invader* has installed a Nordberg gas engine in the seine skiff of his vessel.



Navigator Louis Sitta, left, and Capt. Sal Alioto of the tuna clipper *Commander*, operating the new Sperry magnetic compass pilot recently installed in the vessel at San Diego. This single unit, with a Kelvin-White 8-inch compass and a controller mounted on top, operates with the steering engine. Captain Alioto has his hand on the knob by which the course is set. *Commander* was built by Birchfield Boiler, Tacoma, and is owned by Al Davies.

"Sun Jacket" Lost On Galapagos Reef

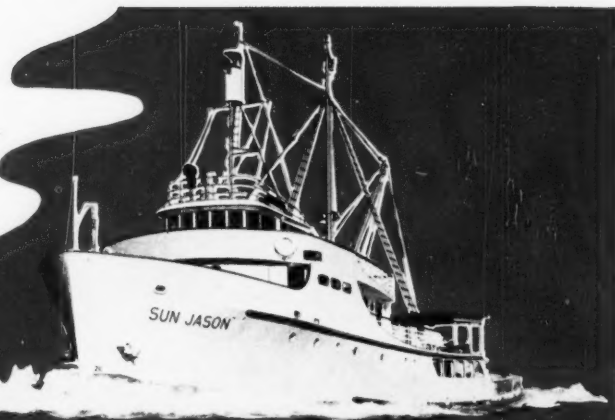
Loss of the 58' baby tuna clipper *Sun Jacket* at the Galapagos Islands was reported in early December when the owner-skipper, Don Byrd, and his wife arrived at San Diego. The vessel ran aground on November 24 during the night and broke up within an hour. Capt. and Mrs. Byrd and four crew members rowed 10 miles in two skiffs before being picked up by the San Diego clipper *Heroic*.

Formerly part of the Sun Harbor fleet, the *Sun Jacket* left last January to fish for the Colombian government. The wreck ended what was to have been the vessel's last fishing trip in this service before returning to her home port, San Diego.

Petrich Sues for Tax Aid On Second Vessel

Having won his tax case in the San Diego courts relative to the tuna clipper *Sherry Ann*, and from which no appeal has been made to higher courts by the county tax assessor, Hervey Petrich is now suing in the Los Angeles courts regarding excessive taxes against the seiner *Dolores M*, this vessel, like the *Sherry Ann*, being registered out of the state.

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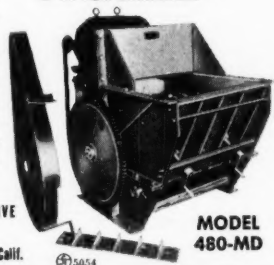
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"Southern Seas" Shrimp Campaign Launched

A sales promotion and advertising campaign for "Southern Seas" shrimp has been launched by Wilbur-Ellis Company, major supplier of seafood from Latin American waters. Wilbur-Ellis reports that, despite a marked increase in production, the demand for fine Mexican shrimp continues to run ahead of supply. Restaurants account for much of the increased consumption.

In the last seven years, shipments of fresh frozen shrimp from the Gulf of Mexico have climbed from a few hundred pounds to more than 15 million pounds this season, according to Wilbur-Ellis Company. This tremendous increase in popularity is due to the large size of "Southern Seas" shrimp, with counts as low as 12 to the pound, as well as to the delicious flavor of this seafood. French fried shrimp are now a staple item on many restaurant menus, as well as shrimp cocktails, salad and casserole dishes.

To accommodate this growing demand, Wilbur-Ellis plans to hold stocks in frozen storage between seasons. These stocks are now being accumulated from improved packing and freezing facilities at lower California ports.

New Shrimp-Freezer Building in Mexico

A new shrimp sharp-freezing plant, located in the northern waters of the Gulf of California, to be known as Productos Congelados de Santa Clara, S.A., was well along in construction in December. It is located at El Gulfo, south of San Luis, state of Sonora and situated almost at the apex of the sea.

Owners are General Abelardo L. Rodriguez, Francisco Morales, Jr., Juan Sanchez, Jose Gutierrez and A. L. Verduga. When the plant is in operation the frozen shrimp will cross the international border for U. S. distribution under the "Ocean Garden" brand of Marine Products Company.

Abalone Trade Resumed

General Fish Corp., Monterey, Monk Loero, manager, is back in the abalone business again for the first time since 1941.

G. Nishiguchi, veteran diver, has been contracted, and so far has produced about 960 doz. abalone. He uses the 38' diving boat *Patricia Lee*.

Monk has provided a well lighted and well equipped room for processing abalone at the Monterey plant.

COMING AND GOING



Fleet of five 54-foot welded-steel shrimp trawlers as they were readied for launching in October at the San Diego plant of National Steel and Shipbuilding Corporation. The vessels are shown here on the 340-foot extension of one of National Steel's marine railways. The trawlers carry Atlas diesels, driving through Monel shafts.

5 Steel Trawlers Join Mexican Shrimp Fleet

The rapidly expanding shrimp and fresh fish industry centering in the Gulf of California has been given further impetus by the addition of five new steel trawlers built for Pesquera de Topolobampo, S. A., Topolobampo, Mex., by National Steel & Shipbuilding Corporation, San Diego. Names of the draggers are: *Macapule*, *Siboney*, *Colorado*, *Marivi* and *Altamura*.

This is the second series of steel trawlers built in a year by this firm. The earlier, slightly smaller vessels were built to the order of Productos Congelados, Guaymas. The new series have dimensions of: Length, 54'; beam, 18'; depth, 8'6". The contract called for delivery within 90 days and this was met. An investment of \$250,000 is involved.

The hulls are four-compartment vessels with thwartships framing, longitudinally braced, with continuous engineroom girders, "egg-crated" into transverse floors. This makes a very strong girder effect through the engineroom, since these engine members run from forward to after bulkheads. Keel is a 1 by 5" flat bar; shell plating and deck is $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

The trawlers were constructed on an assembly line plan, with all work progressing simultaneously, under the direction of construction superintendent Paul Preston. Delivery

speed is hastened by a sub-assembly consisting of the entire superstructure all in one piece and with interior arrangements complete before being lowered by crane onto the deck.

The sub-assembly is made of 10-gauge plate and contains the crew's quarters for eight, galley and pilot-house in partitioned rooms. Shrimp is carried in one main hold, this divided into nine compartments with a capacity of 26 tons, held with crushed ice. Fuel capacity is 1,500 gals., with 400 gals. of fresh water.

Propulsion is by an 85-hp, 4-cyl. Atlas Imperial diesel, turning max. 450 rpm. Bronze propellers, 41½" are turned by 2¾" Monel shafts. For auxiliary power needs there is a gas-driven generator. Sharp-frozen shrimp imported for U. S. consumption from Pesquera de Topolobampo, is distributed by Marine Products Company, San Diego and Los Angeles, under its famous brand label of "Ocean Garden."

ROBERT SEARCH, 23, East Monterey sardine fisherman, was drowned in the heavy surf near the mouth of the Salinas River last month, when a giant wave swept him and a fellow fisherman into the sea from the lighter attached to the Monterey purse seiner *St. Expeditus*.

The second fisherman, **JACK POSEY**, of Pacific Grove, clung to the sides of the overturned lighter and managed to reach shore a half hour after the accident. Skipper of the *St. Expeditus* is **NINO RISO** of Oak Grove.

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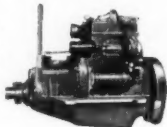
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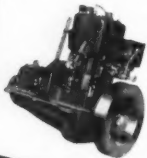
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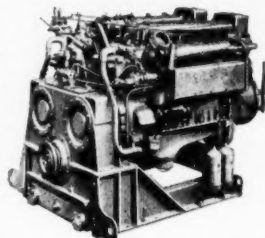
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Alaska Fish Oil Plant Re-Located at Auburn

The Ketchikan plant of Alaska Fish Oil Extractors, Inc., was recently shipped south on the boat *Dorothea* by Lyle Anderson, chemist-manager. It will be reassembled at Auburn, Wash. The company will continue to buy fish livers in South-eastern Alaska ports.

Mr. Anderson and his family and M. R. Waters, company employe, and family have moved to Auburn. Difficulty in shipping fish livers north from Seattle was one of the major reasons for moving the plant.

1949 B. C. Whale Kill Exceeds 250

Official figures on the 1949 whale catch off the coast of British Columbia were not available, but the estimate is that about 250 were taken by the fleet of Western Whaling Corporation, subsidiary of B. C. Packers, Ltd., which is the only organization that operated.

This represents a considerable improvement over 1948, when 183 were caught in a short season.

During the year the company made several improvements in the machinery and equipment in use at its station at Coal Harbor, northwest Vancouver Island.

The three vessels used in the whale hunt were *Tahsis Chief*, *Nahmint* and *Kimsquit*. High point of the season was the taking of two big Blue whales by the *Tahsis Chief*, skippered by Henry Mohle, a veteran of the Antarctic and Newfoundland whaling grounds who was with the west coast company this year for the first time. Creditable performances were given by skippers of the other two ships, serving their first season as whalers.

Although prices for whale products were not particularly high, officials of the company indicated that whaling would probably be continued in the coming year.

New Facilities for American Freezer Co.

The American Freezer Co., Monterey, of which Steve Genovese is president, recently built a handsome new fish receiving station on the Municipal Wharf. The station is complete with electric hoist, latest type scales, a holding tank for squid, and an elevator to be used in dumping squid in the tank.

On the mezzanine floor are offices, box storage, and a York Flake ice machine.

Sand-Washing Machine Speeds Hull Preparation

Anthony Martinolich, president, Martinolich Shipbuilding Company, San Diego, has developed a new type of sand-washing machine which his experience has already shown will clean down a steel hull to bare metal five times faster than conventional methods of sandblasting; or will remove copper paint from a wooden hull as rapidly, yet without injury to wood grain, cement putty or caulking.

The operation consists of combining air, water and sand in a machine, the operational details of which the yard regards as a close secret. Initial use of the machine on the steel clipper *Paramount*, followed by the *Sun Ray* and *Sun Maid*; and then on the wooden clipper, *American Clipper*, was to the complete satisfaction of the owners, according to Mr. Martinolich.

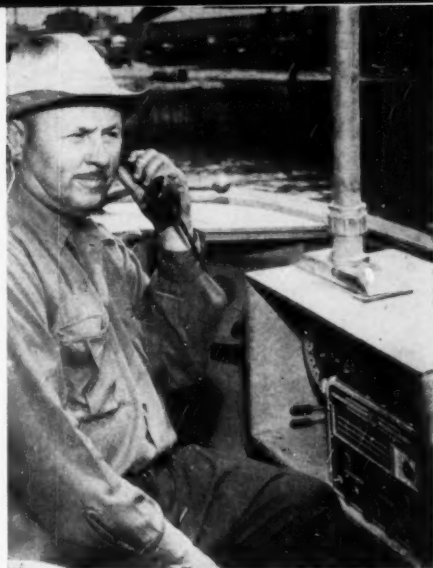
According to the operator, the average time required to dry sandblast an average tuna-vessel hull is around 10 days, with resultant tie-up of the vessel for that period, and with extra labor involved to secure all openings in the hull to exclude dust. By the new Martinolich method hulls are sand-washed in a single day, with no dust involved.

With the Martinolich method, after a hull is cleaned to bare metal, acid is applied which absorbs all water and removes small indentations of rust. Then two coats of plastic anti-corrosive are applied with spray guns, eliminating hand brush application. The last coat of either cold or hot plastic paint is also sprayed on. Also installed and operated in connection with the method is equipment for metallizing hulls, machinery and shafts. Used on steel hulls are American Marine cold and hot plastic paints.

"Pacific Pearl" Shellfish Recipes Are Published

A sheet of shellfish recipes particularly applicable to canned crab, oysters and clams, with the recipes arranged so they can be cut out and attached to filing cards, was made available for consumer distribution in December by Ivar Wendt, Central Building, Seattle, exclusive sales agent of "Pacific Pearl" Brands canned seafoods featured in the material.

The folder also includes pictures and text descriptive of Pacific crab fishing and packing operations. It is available to consumers on request, or through dealers.



Harry Brady, owner of the *Ruth K. San Diego*, made a \$10,000 equipment investment in his Albacore-Swordfish boat and this investment paid off with a successful Albacore season. The *Kettenburg 38* has aboard a Bendix depth recorder, a Radiomarine radiotelephone and an AR8711 Radiomarine direction finder with outside loop, and a Freeman Metal Marine Pilot. She is powered with a "Caterpillar" diesel, D4600 6-cyl., 65-hp. with 3:1 Twin Disc reduction gear. He has his radio phone and direction finder in a fight box topside, with his Bendix depth recorder installed on the port side of the housetop, opposite the radiophone.

136-Ft. Shark Boat

A conversion job at the Martinolich Ship Repair Co., San Francisco, is being done on a former PCS, 136' long. She has been purchased by the Tuna-Shark Corp., Oakland, Calif., and will be used in the tuna and shark trade. Her name will be *Tuna-Shark*. She is powered with two 500 hp GM Cleveland diesel engines, and she also has GM auxiliaries. Refrigeration and other equipment is being installed.

The Fish & Wildlife Service vessel *Black Douglas* was hauled out at Martinolich's for general repairs as was the *Albacore*, California Division of Fish & Game patrol boat.

Shark Fishing Early

Soupin shark fishing got underway out of Humboldt Bay early in December, with a fleet working out of Eureka including the 78' *Frigidland*, Skipper Ras Misund; the *Dorene B. Neil Burton*; the *North*; the *Cleone*, under John Lovdahl; the *Sea Gull*, Paul Pellegrini.

The season opened almost a month earlier than usual, and followed a series of southerly storms.

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12c Crab Price Opens S. F. Season

San Francisco crab dealers opened the 1949-50 season by agreeing to pay 12c per lb. for crabs.

The crab season opened Nov. 15 for both Eureka and Monterey. John Pastorino, secretary of IFAWA Local No. 34 sent out patrol boats to see that no pots were put out ahead of time. Two violators had their traps confiscated by the Bureau of Patrol, Division of Fish & Game.

A crab committee was set up by the union consisting of Emile Barbera, Vic Pomilia, Al Sancimino, Carmelo Palania, Vince Mercurio, Tom Passanisi, and Dominic Matteredo.

Canning Crab On Cook Inlet

Two small new crab-canning plants are operating on Kachemak Bay, Cook Inlet, using Dungeness crabs which, according to report reaching Seattle, have been quite plentiful there this season.

John Ekren, Jr., and a partner packed in a small way through the fall, finding a local market for quite a bit of their output. Later John Ekren, Sr., and Harley Ekren, of Anchorage, put in an outfit on McDonald Spit, and were just getting started the first of December.

Freezing Mothership Enters Shrimp Trade

The shrimp industry of the Gulf of California is turning to the use of motherships. Recently put to service there for Productos Congelados, Guaymas, headed by Hernando DeCima, was the *Mahoning*, a 115-foot converted naval vessel with a modern sharp-freezing and holding system installed.

Propulsion is from a pair of "Caterpillar" diesels. The refrigeration system by Baker is operated through a pair of 40-kw. General Motors diesel generating sets. Freezers are installed on the main deck, each of which has a capacity of 900 lbs. per hour, achieving a temperature of 50 degrees below zero. Procedure is similar to that of shore plants where de-headed shrimp are arranged in double rows in 5-lb. stainless steel trays, to which 2¼ lbs. of water are added.

Rock wool insulation below deck assures a constant temperature of between 15 to 20 degrees below zero. It is below-deck where the packaged containers of shrimp are stored and held in low temperatures.



Two pictures taken during the autumn Fisheries Festival at Guaymas, when the Blessing of the Fleet marked observance of the opening of the shrimp season. The festival was in charge of S. Perez Ramos of Fomento Maritimo S. A., a shrimp packing company, assisted by Hector Ferreira, another leading factor in the shrimp industry. The festival was attended by Ingeniero Enrique Romay, director general of fisheries of Mexico, as well as the Minister of the Navy, the governor of Sonora and the bishop of Sonora. The large vessel on the right in the upper photo is *Francisco Villa*, which Sr. Ramos' Fomento Maritimo operates as a freezing mothership for shrimp trawlers and a refrigerated carrier for transporting the frozen shrimp from the fishing grounds to shipping point. The lower photo shows a number of shrimp vessels in the harbor at Guaymas.

New Mexican Shrimp Firm Buying Boats

Evidence of the rapidly-growing Mexican shrimp industry in the Gulf of California is shown in the formation of another concern which, last month was gathering a fleet of trawlers and plans to build a sharp-freezer at Mazatlan. New concern is known as *Pesquera de Mazatlan*, S.A. Principals are Isaac Serge and George Corppel, Felipe Ceballas and Hermando Urrea.

Four Southern California vessels were purchased in November: 72' seiner *Buccaneer*, from Alex Lapov, San Pedro; 70' former tender *California II*, from French Sardine Company; 60' seiner *Sunrise*, San Pedro; and 60' former dragger *Buddy*, located at San Diego. All were converted to trawlers.

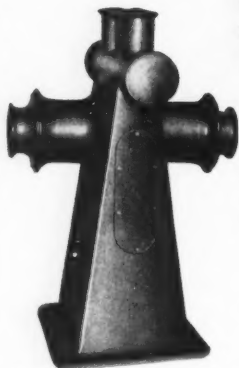
Until the company's new freezer is constructed—this will have a daily capacity of 25,000 lbs.—shrimp brought to Mazatlan will be processed for shipment at a freezer established there by Refrigeradora del Noroeste, S.A., several years ago, built and equipment installed by Ralph E. Manns Company, Wilmington.

Astoria Trawl Union Accepts Lower Prices

Astoria Otter Trawlers Union, Nov. 15, voted to accept reduced prices for bottom fish, as submitted by the Offshore Fishing Vessel Owners Association as being the minimum prices at which the boat owners could operate profitably. Drag fishing has been practically stalemated this fall, with only Dover and Arrow-Tooth sole being taken at 3c. The new prices submitted were: Dover, Arrow Tooth, Black Rock, English Sole, Flounder, and Rex Sole 10" and over, all at 3c; Red Rockfish, 3½c; Petrale and dressed Ling Cod, 5c; and large dressed Sablefish, 8c. Mink Feed price remained at 2½c. The proposed prices had not yet been accepted by the packers and Ben B. Ferguson, secretary of the Otter Trawlers Union, stated that on the basis of the prices voted on and accepted, the boats would have to be allowed to fish on an unlimited basis for all species.

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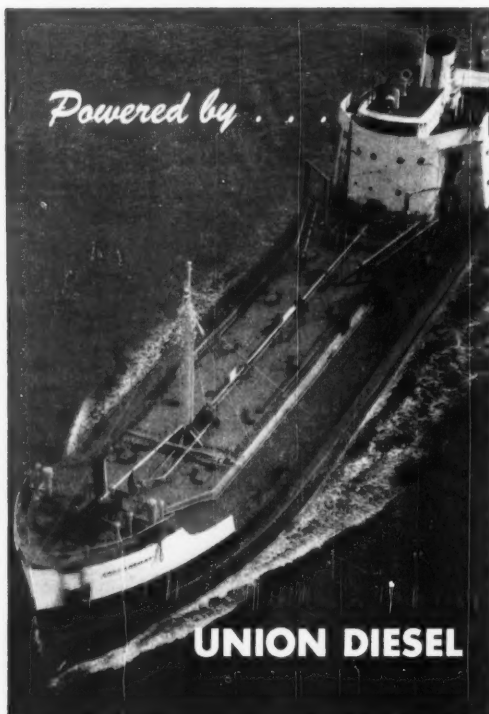
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Alaska Board O.K.s. Troll Salmon Limits

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The Alaska proposals submitted to FAWS would fix no minimum size limit for Silver salmon, and would permit winter trolling in "inside" waters where this has been practised in the past.

The Board strongly objected to the FAWS regulations fixing a 26" minimum size limit for Chinook salmon caught by trolling, but permitting the taking of salmon of this size by other forms of gear. It approved the minimum size limit as a conservation measure, but felt that taking of salmon of this size by other means should be prohibited; and that possession of under-sized salmon should be declared proof of their illegal capture.

JOHN MILLS, owner of the Ketchikan trolling boat *Alaskan*, left recently for a vacation trip in the states. He was accompanied by MRS. MILLS.

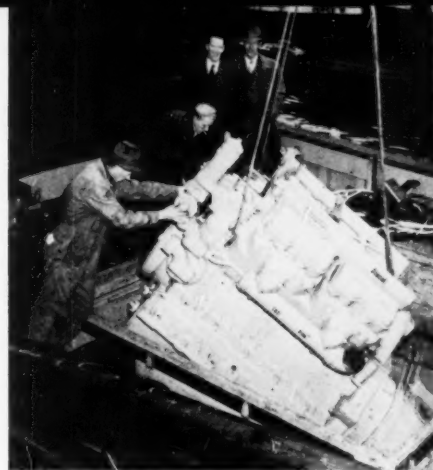
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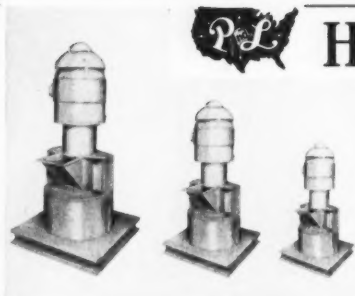
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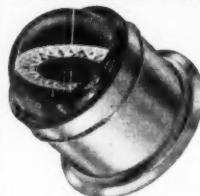
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Marine Products Pump Line All New, All Modern

In introducing its 1950 line of pumps, Marine Products Company, Detroit 14, pronounces it not only the most complete line of marine pumps on the market, but points out that every pump has been engineered since the war by men who have spent a lifetime in the marine field.

Marine Products pumps are standard equipment on several of the leading makes of marine engines, and the line includes replacement models for nearly every size and model of marine engine on the market.

The new MP line of "Engine Cooling Pumps" are available in 10 models for all engines up to 200 hp. These pumps feature the revolutionary DuPont Neoprene impeller, sole moving part, which it is claimed withstands almost unlimited wear, even when pumping sand and silt.

Marine Products Company also makes bilge pumps in more than 30 models, including all sizes and rotations. These pumps are equipped with an all-bronze, non-clogging impeller, which handles not only a large volume of water, but semi-solids and small debris besides.

The most recent addition is a series of small compact electric motorized Bait Tank Pumps in 6, 12, 32 and 110-volt dc and ac, and also a complete line of heavy duty, all bronze, Twin Disc clutch, belt-driven centrifugal pumps.

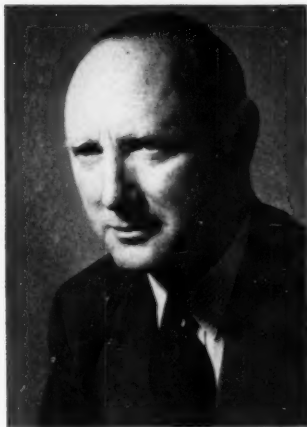
MP Company is rounding out its organization to include representation in every marine and industrial trading center in the country. Sales are entirely through distributors and dealers. Franchises are still available in some domestic trading areas, as well as a few foreign countries. For full details, write Marine Products Company, 515 Lyncaste, Detroit 14, Michigan.

Lathrop 53-Year-Old Line Filled By 100-Hp. Diesel

The Lathrop Engine Company is a manufacturer of marine engines that can boast a record of 53 years of continuous operation. Today, twenty-one Lathrops—gasoline and diesel—are turned out from the plant in Mystic, Connecticut, located on the same property where the famous Lathrop two-cycle "make and break" engines were perfected at the turn of the century. Lathrops are exclusively marine engines featuring four-cycle operations.

Lathrop gasoline engines are divided into three classifications—*heavy-duty*, *medium-duty*, and *light-weight*, high-speed. The line starts at a competitive price level and the power range extends from 21 to 175 hp.

Lathrop diesel engines have won their greatest acceptance in work boat service, particularly among fishing boat operators. By spring of 1950, when the new 100 hp. model will be available for delivery, the line will include six power models, 50, 60, 80, 90, 100 and 187 hp. This newest engine, the D-100, is designed to accommodate the very latest types of reverse and reduction gears, large-sized 32-volt output generators and auxiliary drives.



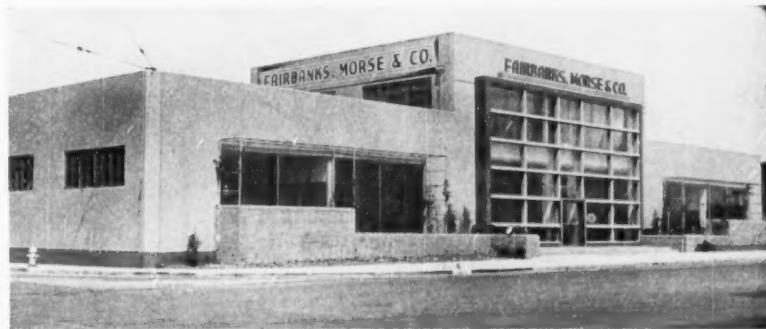
Capt. R. M. Ellis, Royal Navy (Ret.), British factory representative in the United States and Canada for the Lister and Blackstone group of companies. During the war he commanded the cruiser *Suffolk* in the action which destroyed the German battleship *Bismark*, and later the battleships *Queen Elizabeth* and *Howe*. He was director of British Combined Operations during the period of the Allied landings in Africa, Italy and France. Now retired, he is representing Lister-Blackstone diesel engine in this country.

Fairbanks-Morse Promotes J. A. Cuneo, A. M. McLaren

Several changes in their sales organization have recently been announced by Fairbanks, Morse & Co., manufacturers, Chicago, Illinois. These are as follows:

J. A. Cuneo, formerly branch manager, Los Angeles, Calif., has been transferred to Chicago to assume the duties of manager of the company's Chicago branch. A. M. McLaren succeeds him as Los Angeles branch manager.

The new Los Angeles headquarters for Fairbanks, Morse & Co., located at 4535 South Soto Street. Almost coincidental with the occupation of the new plant was the appointment of Harvey Heil as diesel manager for Los Angeles, according to an announcement by John A. Cuneo, branch manager of the firm. Heil replaces Russ Stevens, who has taken up a new assignment with the company in the East. For more than 20 years, Mr. Heil has been connected with Fairbanks, Morse at St. Louis and Boston, and he brings to the aggressive Los Angeles organization with its all-modern facilities, a varied experience which has brought him in contact with practically every known application of diesel power. This experience qualifies Heil to render the best of service in engineering diesel installations, both marine and stationary.



New Hydraulic-Actuated Gear Featured By Snow-Nabstedt

The Snow-Nabstedt Gear Corporation of Hamden, Connecticut, is showing this winter for the first time its new hydraulically-actuated reverse gear model No. 3757. This gear has been developed and released for production after a series of very severe laboratory and engine tests.

The No. 3757 gear is fully enclosed and will fit the flywheel and flywheel housing to replace its well-known predecessor, model No. 3755, manually-operated gear.

The pump for pressure and lubrication is incorporated in the reverse gear and provides sufficient oil for quick operation and lubrication even at low idling speeds. In fact, shifting from full speed ahead to full speed astern can be done within one and one-half seconds at these low speeds. At high speeds emergency shifting can be done in one second or less.

The simplicity of design is appealing strongly to all engine manufacturers as all oil passages are large, short and direct. All long-distance piping and passages have been eliminated.

Safety locking device is provided if the pressure fails, and the forward clutch may be so locked within a few minutes.

This gear may be equipped with a full line of reduction gears from 1:1 up to 44:1 without disturbing the alignment between the reverse gear and the engine flywheel; also, reductions turning either port or starboard at full speed and full power are equally available.

The famous S-N principle of design; namely, to drive directly into the reduction, by-passing the complete reversing mechanism has been maintained, and, as a result, the gearing and bearings take no wear and tear during the long periods of forward driving operation.

Snow-Nabstedt distributors on the Pacific Coast are Pacific Marine Engine Company, Seattle, Simplex Engine & Mfg. Co., Vancouver B. C.; Oregon Marine Supply Co., Portland and Astoria, Oregon; Star Marine Engine Works, Oakland; Fellows & Stewart, Inc., Terminal Island, California; and Crofton Diesel Engine Co., San Diego.

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New Food Sanitation Booklet

An illustrated 32-page booklet providing helpful data on how to simplify cleaning and sanitizing operations in food plants has recently been published by Oakite Products, Inc., New York.

This new booklet offers a thoroughgoing account of improved cleaning methods, germicidal techniques, descaling procedures and related practices that effect important economies in connection with food plant sanitation programs. Among the specialized materials specifically discussed in the booklet are the following: alkaline and acidic cleaners; quaternary ammonium and chlorine sanitizers; deodorants; bottle and case conveyor chain lubricants; water softeners; rust preventives; rust and scale removers; and paint-stripping materials. Also presented in the booklet are valuable recommendations on materials and procedures that make possible substantial time and work-savings in the performance of such general plant cleaning tasks as: air control equipment maintenance; steam and power generation equipment cleaning; steam-detergent cleaning of large processing and handling equipment; floor cleaning; lavatory sanitation; and truck fleet maintenance.

Industry personnel desiring free copies of this new sanitation guide may obtain them by addressing Oakite Products, Inc., 1001 E. First Street, Los Angeles 12, California.

Standard of California Launches New Heavy-Duty Lube Products

Standard Oil Company of California launched a new series of diesel and heavy-duty gasoline engine lubricants in November after two weeks of intensive indoctrination which brought 400 members of its marketing staffs together for meetings held at San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle.

These representatives from Alaska and the seven western states, saw and heard the inside story of Standard's new RPM DELO "family" of oils. Introduction of the new series was described as the most important improvement in performance and quality since 1935, when Standard brought out the first compounded diesel lubes.

They heard "The Delo Story" from R. W. Goodale, Standard's lubricant division manager, and from the company's technical men who developed this new line of products to meet today's more stringent operating conditions. These were described as heavier loads, higher horsepower engines, higher operating temperatures, and more severe lubrication requirements.

The new DELO line, Standard's men were told, has been developed after three years of concentrated research and expenditure of about \$3,000,000 to meet these tougher post-war conditions.

Sangster Handles Nordberg Gas Engines in B. C.

Charles G. Cox, Pacific Coast manager, Nordberg Manufacturing Co., San Francisco, has announced that the Cliff Sangster Co., 1779 West Georgia St., Vancouver, B. C., has been appointed distributor of the Nordberg marine gas engine for British Columbia.

The Sangster company offers complete facilities for sales, installation, service, and parts of Nordberg gasoline marine engines.

BLADELESS FISH PUMP FEATURED



R. H. Morse, Jr., Fairbanks-Morse vice president in charge of all operations (left) and R. C. Glazebrook (right), inventor, designer of the new Fairbanks-Morse bladeless pump. These two gentlemen are holding a shop coat and pants which have passed through the pump without clogging it.

New Bladeless Fish Pump Is Practically Clog-Free

A new type pump capable of handling fish without damage by incorporating a feature heretofore considered an engineering impossibility, was announced recently by Fairbanks, Morse & Co., manufacturers, Chicago, Illinois.

This new pump is different from all others in that its impeller is bladeless, having no vanes or blades. Instead, the fluid passes through the impeller through a single rotating channel or passageway with the centrifugal force doing the work.

Wound somewhat like a corkscrew, this curved channel starts at a small radius at the axis of rotation and then fans outward in a helical path. Thus centrifugal action throws the fluid against the sides of the bent channel or passageway and because these slant forward, the fluid carrying the solids and trash is driven along the channel. This is what achieves the pumping action. The diameter of the rotating channel at its narrowest point is equal to the diameter of the inlet pipe; hence almost anything that will enter the eye of the pump will be carried through without clogging.

The advantages of this remarkable new pump are many, according to company officials. In actual tests before several hundred consulting engineers at the company's Beloit Works recently, this new pump handled solids 10 to 25 times larger than that handled by other pumps of the conventional type. Being virtually clog free, the pump will require less attention in actual operation and less maintenance, thereby effecting considerable dollar savings.

At the plant demonstration four pumps stood in a row; one of the new bladeless type and three of the conventional design. Through a hopper leading to the pumping mechanism of each, various materials were dropped into the water flowing through the impellers of each pump. Tennis balls passed through each

impeller in a flash. Small strips of canvas likewise passed through each pump without much trouble. Then, as the strips of canvas became slightly larger, the conventional type of trash pumps began to show difficulty in handling the material. They were turned off when they were choked on small pieces of canvas, handkerchiefs and diapers.

Then, to show the gentle pumping action achieved by the bladeless impeller, crates of oranges, apples, and even hard boiled eggs, were poured into the hopper and passed through the bladeless pump. The hard boiled eggs came through whole and in most cases not even the shells were cracked. Finally, to show the unusual ability of this pump to handle solids of all kinds, one of the technicians in the laboratory peeled off his coat and it was sent on a speedy trip through the pump. And lastly, a pair of overalls were dumped into the hopper and came out almost immediately.

Fibreboard Products Makes Personnel Changes in S. F.

N. M. Brisbois, vice-president in charge of production, Fibreboard Products Inc., is retiring under Fibreboard's retirement program, according to an announcement by T. N. Bland, vice-president and general manager of the company, and is being succeeded by Robert E. Bundy, formerly general manager of operations for all Fibreboard mills and converting plants.

Mr. Bundy has been elected vice-president in charge of production. His former position has been filled by the appointment of Mark E. Sanford, who moves up from the resident management of one of Fibreboard's mills at Antioch, Calif.

Another change in top-flight personnel announced by Mr. Bland is the appointment of B. P. Altick, presently manager of Federal Container Co., Philadelphia, a wholly owned Fibreboard subsidiary, to be assistant to Mr. Bland. Mr. Altick will return to San Francisco Dec. 11.

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Nylon Fishing Rope Featured In Columbian Booklet

Columbian nylon rope, its characteristics and its advantages, is described generally in a folder newly published by Columbian Rope Co., which announces that nylon rope is fast becoming more popular with fishermen everywhere. Long life; resistance to abrasion—water absorption—marine rot or decay; make it adaptable for use as part of the fishing equipment or as lines aboard ship. For hawsers and other lines, it is unsurpassed. Nylon lines are easy to handle, absorb little moisture, and can be stowed without drying.

Recent experiments conducted by Columbian show that nylon for use in fishing nets really pays off in long life, ease of handling and durability. For cod-end use, nylon can really take it. It will outwear manila, sisal or cotton cod-ends by many, many trips.

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More complete information on any particular nylon fishing rope may be had from the Columbian Rope Company, Auburn, New York.

Trouble Light Has Permanent Magnet

The "Henco Magnalume 300" is something different in a "self supporting" trouble light. The Alnico V magnet, molded right into the case, is a deep-flux type. This means that it holds through thick paint and grease, with an approximate 17-pound grip. All construction is the finest, with enclosed switch, 25-foot cord, and Neoprene rubber is used throughout to prevent deterioration in oil and grease. More information may be had from the C. J. Hendry Co., 27 Main Street, Dept. AX, San Francisco.

ROBERT K. HOOD



Dick M. Landis, who has been associated with the DeLaval Pacific Co. in San Francisco since 1937, and for the past several years as manager of sales, industrial department, has been promoted to the position of assistant manager, industrial division, DeLaval Separator Co., with headquarters in New York City. Taking Mr. Landis' place as manager of sales, industrial department, DeLaval Pacific Co., San Francisco, is Robert K. Hood. Mr. Hood has been associated with DeLaval for a number of years since the war, and has been sales engineer for the company in northern California.

H. E. BURKE, secretary of the Western Fisheries Co., Parks Canning Co. and related concerns, Seattle, suffered minor injuries and had his car wrecked in an auto collision in mid-November near Bakersfield, Calif., on his way home from a vacation trip east.

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Three New Cummins Diesels Featured This Winter

Three new high-horsepower, high-speed diesel engines are being featured by the Cummins Engine Company, Inc., Columbus, Ind. These include the new NVHS-1200 Cummins diesel, a four-cycle, 12-cylinder, V-type, supercharged engine that has a maximum rating of 550 hp. turning at 2100 rpm.

Another featured Cummins diesel is the NVHMR-1200, an unsupercharged marine model corresponding to the basic engine shown in the cutaway version, with rating of 264 hp. at 1800 rpm. in continuous, heavy-duty service, and a maximum rating of 400 hp. at 2100 rpm. This V-type, 12-cylinder engine will be equipped with a 3:1 Capitol marine reverse and reduction gear and Fawcick air front power take-off clutch.

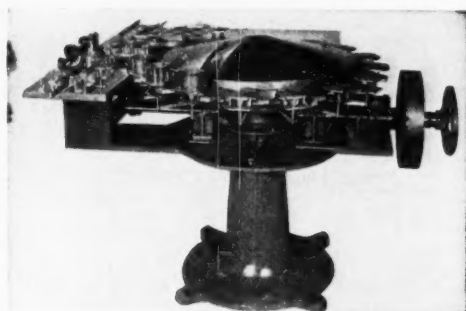
The third featured Cummins diesel is model NHRMS-600, a supercharged marine engine with a rating of 188 hp. at 1800 rpm. in continuous, heavy-duty service, and a maximum rating of 300 hp. at 2100 rpm. This engine will be equipped with a 3:1 Twin Disc marine reverse and reduction gear and Twin Disc front power take-off.

All three engines will be equipped with the completely new Cummins "DD" fuel pump.

Sta-Nu-Tral Clutch Has Advantages For Fishermen

The Sta-Nu-Tral Clutch, Nordberg Manufacturing Company's recent development for the Nordberg gasoline marine engine, solves the problem of keeping the propeller dead still in the water when the clutch is in neutral, no matter how fast the engine may be running to drive the integral front flywheel mounted clutch power-take-off or pulleys. Engine temperature does not affect the Sta-Nu-Tral Clutch for its same advantages exist throughout the whole range of engine temperatures. The Sta-Nu-Tral Clutch is interchangeable with clutches supplied in previous Nordberg Gasoline Marine Engines and it is possible to quickly convert these engines now in service to the Sta-Nu-Tral clutch feature through the use of a service replacement kit which is available at nominal cost.

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Chris-Craft Marine Engine Line Ranges From 60 to 160 hp

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Through many years of research and testing by engineers of both boats and marine engines, Chris-Craft features centralized suspension mounts with tension rubber cushions for quiet performance; pre-heated water by exhaust manifold for cooling system, keeping the engine at best operating temperature and insuring good lubrication; non-drip carburetors for safety precautions and precision built throughout by trained mechanics to produce an engine for dependability, economy, ruggedness, longer life, and quiet top-notch performance throughout the power range.

Cannery Machinery Building Firm Control Is Shifted

United Sales & Engineering Company has taken over the business and plant of the former United Welding & Manufacturing Company at 8705 Crocker St., Los Angeles. Harry C. Reed and Phil Harris are now operators and sales agents for the plant which, for years has specialized in manufacture of fish-canning equipment, sent to plants all over the world.

One of the latest exports was a complete shrimp-canning plant to Pesquera de Topolobampo, S.A., Topolobampo, Sinaloa, one of the largest shrimp-freezing and processing establishments in the Gulf of California. The adjunct to the sharp-freezing plant has a capacity of 1,000 cans daily. Closing machine was by Continental Can Company.

Roebling Firm Announces Three New Pacific Agents

F. G. Hoyt, general manager of the Woven Wire Fabrics Division, John A. Roebling's Sons Company, Roebling, N. J., announces the appointment of three new agents for insect wire screening, galvanized hardware cloth and industrial wire cloth. They are: Flynn and Enslow, 1740 17th Street, San Francisco; Industrial Wire Products Corp., 2039 Sacramento Street, Los Angeles; and Pacific Wire Works Co., 4515 Sixth Avenue, Seattle.

The appointments were made in line with the division's new merchandising plan, according to Hoyt, and full stocks will be carried to expedite customer service in the Pacific Coast area.

Goodrich Cutless Bearings Featured by L. Q. Moffitt

B. F. Goodrich Cutless bearings are featured again this year at the National Boat Show in New York. The exhibit will be in the charge of Lucian Q. Moffitt, Inc., national distributors of Cutless bearings.

Lucian Q. Moffitt, Inc., are stressing the many advantages of Ameripol oil resisting rubber now used in all Cutless bearings for both pleasure boats and commercial vessels. Ameripol was developed by The B. F. Goodrich Company through years of research and was definitely established as a superior bearing wearing material when used on the largest naval vessels.

Because Ameripol Cutless bearings have better heat, oil and wear resisting qualities, there is no hesitancy in recommending them for operation in any waters. The design of the bearings makes them particularly adaptable to shallow draft operation.

Cutless bearings are water lubricated and the soft rubber permits abrasive particles to be rolled into water grooves. Sand and silt are flushed from the bearing by the lubricating water preventing scoring of propeller shafts.

"Caterpillar" Booklet Features Alaska Salmon Power Scows

A twelve-page illustrated booklet entitled "Working the Waters," published by Caterpillar Tractor Co., features two Alaska salmon power scows, *Cachalot* and *Blackfish* of the Alaska Packers Association's fleet. The booklet is devoted to work boats and the specifications for 10 different model "Caterpillar" diesel engines are given with a special page devoted to complete description of the "Caterpillar" marine engine fuel system.

Copies of this pamphlet may be obtained by requesting Form I2481 from Caterpillar Tractor Co., Peoria 8, Illinois, or by contacting the "Caterpillar" dealer in your territory.

B. C. Nordberg Distribution Now Directed by Sangster

Distribution of Nordberg gasoline engines in the marine field is now being directed in British Columbia through R. Cliff Sangster, 1779 West Georgia St., although Nordberg diesels will continue to be sold in that territory through Northwest Distributors, managed by A. P. Pilkey, at a new location in North Vancouver.

The Sangster organization has been operating in the marine engine field in Vancouver for 20 years, and among its other lines are Hill diesels, Gladden air cooled units and Evinrude.

ED BUGDEN, owner of the Ketchikan halibuter *Alki*, recently hooked onto a set of deer horns about 4 miles offshore. The three-point antlers had been in the sea for many years — long enough to collect barnacles.

Red Wing Engine Line Features Diesel Models

The Red Wing marine engine line for 1950 features models in the full diesel type. Two heavy-duty 6-cylinder sizes are available now. The D6-200 and the D6-160 engines are especially suited for heavier duty boats, 50' to 100', and both are available with various ratios of reduction gears. Already in extensive use is the 65-hp diesel marine "four" of 4 1/4" bore and 4 1/2" stroke.

A smaller 4-cylinder model is under development now to be ready early in 1950. Normal power developed is 30 hp.

Four New Models Widen Chrysler's Power Range

Announcement of greater power range for the Chrysler marine engine line was made in Detroit recently by the Marine Engine Division of Chrysler Corporation. The complete line which now comprises seven engines has many new improvements and innovations.

To the "Ace," "Crown" and "Royal" models, which previously comprised the Chrysler marine engine line, has been added the "Ace Special," "Crown Special," "Royal Special" and the "Majestic," Mr. Keller said. All models are six-cylinder except the eight-cylinder Royal and Royal Special.

Boat owners are expected to center unusual attention on the Majestic, an innovation in the Chrysler line, with a 4" x 5" bore and stroke developing 160 hp, at 3000 rpm. Piston displacement is 376.9 cubic inches. Standard equipment includes sodium cooled valves, silchrome steel stellite faced valve seats for both intake and exhaust valves. Advance indications are that the Majestic will prove particularly popular with fishing craft owners.

Basic specifications of the 1950 line were given as follows:

Model	Horse Power	Maximum R.P.M.
Ace	87	2800
Crown	104	2800
Royal	135	2800
Majestic	160	3000
Ace Special	105	3600
Crown Special	125	3600
Royal Special	165	3600

All models are available in straight drive and with the following reduction gear ratios: 1.43 to 1; 2.04 to 1; 2.56 to 1; 3.17 to 1; and 3.95 to 1.

The engines can be adapted to efficient and economical operation in different types of craft, from heavy work boats and auxiliaries where a slow-turning, big-diameter propeller is a necessity, to light, high-speed runabouts where direct drive produces the best results. Helical reduction gears, with a high degree of interchangeability, can be assembled in four different positions to accommodate various shaft angles and to fit into diverse interior layout plans in different boats.

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